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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

March 28, WEST STANLEY, British str., 993, Ashby, Canton 28th March, Ballast.—RUSSELL & Co.

March 28, HAKON ADALSTEN, Nor. str., 905, Bergh, Saigon 24th March, Rice.—ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

March 29, JULIANE, German 3-m. sch., 187, Oestmann, Amoy 24th March, General.—CAPTAIN.

March 29, QUARTA, German str., 731, P. Haye, Saigon 24th March, Rice.—SOBYSHING.

March 29, ESMERALDA, British steamer, 395, Cullen, Manila 26th March, General.—RUSSELL & Co.

March 29, GAELIC, British steamer, 1,712, Kidley, San Francisco 21st February, and Yokohama 22nd March, Mails and General.—O. & O. S. S. Co.

March 29, ELISE, Hawaiian brig, 312, F. W. Permien, Quinhon 21st March, Salt.—CHINESE.

March 29, ATALANTA, German steamer, 783, G. Petersen, Saigon 24th March, Rice.—SIEMSSEN & Co.

March 29, THALES, Brit. str., 820, C. Coles, Haiphong 25th March, Rice.—D. LAPRAIK & Co.

March 29, GLENEAGLES, British str., 1,837, G. Macbain, London 18th February, Suez 4th March, General.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE, MARCH 28TH.

Norna, British steamer, for Swatow.
Onward, British sch. oner, for Whampoa.
Corona, British ship, for Swatow.
Trio, Dutch bark, for Tientsin.
Hesperia, German steamer, for Chinkiang.
Seaman's Bride, Siamese bark, for Bangkok.
Charger, American ship, for San Francisco.
Brisbane, British steamer, for Cooktown and Melbourne.

DEPARTURES.

March 29, CASSANDRA, German steamer, for Mantong.
March 29, RAJANATTIANUHAR, British str., for Bangkok.
March 29, CHINKIANG, British steamer, for Shanghai.
March 29, W. E. GLADSTONE, Amer. bark, for Bangkok.
March 29, MONONGAHELA, United States corvette, for Shanghai.
March 29, BRISBANE, Brit. str., for Singapore, Cooktown, and Melbourne.
March 29, CHARLTON, British steamer, for Port Darwin.
March 29, DEUCALION, British steamer, for Shanghai.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Hakon Adalsten*, str., from Saigon:—2 Chinese.
Per *Quarta*, str., from Saigon:—30 Chinese.
Per *Juliane*, from Amoy:—36 Chinese.
Per *Gaelic*, str., from San Francisco and Yokohama:—Dr. Hamilton, R.N., and 167 Chinese.
Per *Atalanta*, str., from Saigon:—8 Chinese.
Per *Elise*, from Quinhon:—3 Chinese.
Per *Thales*, str., from Haiphong:—11 Chinese.
Per *Gleneagles*, str., from London, &c.:—For Hongkong.—Messrs. Strench and Hyde. For Shanghai.—Mr. and Mrs. McKenzie, Messrs. Molesworth, Nisbet, Wilson, Burnett, Graystone, Sellor, McHelvie, and Cranston. For Hiogo.—Mr. Eytel.
Per *Esmeralda*, str., from Manila:—Mr. and Mrs. Nohr, child, and Dr. J. Burke, Messrs. D. J. Rexes, W. H. Boyd, D. Earnshaw, W. H. Taylor, O. W. Linham, D. R. Leibic, D. G. Gomes Perez, D. R. Halcon, P. D. Gomez, D. Y. Fernandes, and 1 European, deck, and 130 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per *Deucalion*, str., for Shanghai:—Mrs. Johnson and 2 children from Liverpool.

REPORTS.

The Norwegian steamship *Hakon Adalsten* reports left Saigon on 24th March, and had fine weather throughout.

The German steamship *Quarta* reports left Saigon on 24th March, and had fine weather during the voyage. On the 28th foggy weather to port.

The German steamship *Atalanta* reports left Saigon on 24th March, and had light Southerly winds and fine weather.

The Hawaiian brig *Elise* reports left Quinhon on 21st March, and had fine weather and light Easterly winds from Quinhon to port.

The British steamship *Esmeralda* reports left Manila on 26th March, and had light variable winds and fine weather, then anchored on account of fog for six hours; thence to port heavy squalls and rain.

The British steamship *Gleneagles* reports left London on 18th February, Suez on 4th March, and Singapore on the 22nd. The last two days light S.E. winds with head sea. Considerable current from Singapore to the Macclesfield Bank.

The British steamship *Thales* reports left Haiphong on 25th March, and experienced thick and dense fog throughout the whole passage, and had to anchor several times. In the Hainan Straits was in company with H.M.S. *Swinger*.

The British steamship *Gaelic* reports left San Francisco at noon on 21st February; encountered strong Westerly gales throughout the passage to Yokohama, arriving there at 11 a.m. on the 18th March; left again at 8 a.m. on the 22nd, and had variable winds to Hongkong. Arrived in Hongkong at 4.30 p.m. on the 29th. Was detained 12 hours off the Nine Pins with thick fog. Spoke the British bark *Formosa*, 52 days out, from Puget Sound, bound for Pisco, Peru, on the 22nd February.

VESSELS EXPECTED AT HONGKONG.
(Corrected to Date).

Sir Harry Parkes	London	Dec. 13
Sedan	Cardiff	Dec. 19
R. B. Fuller	Bombay	Dec. 27
Korso	Penarth	Jan. 8
Hylton Castle	Glasgow	Jan. 12
Elvetico	London	Jan. 13
Belle of Oregon	Liverpool	Jan. 22
Earl of Devon	Antwerp	Jan. 27
Elizabeth Childs	Hamburg	Jan. 30
Wandering Jew	Penarth	Jan. 31
Oxfordshire (s.)	London	Feb. 1
Per Ardua	London	Feb. 2
Afghan (s.)	Greenock	Feb. 2
Olympia (s.)	Cuxhaven	Feb. 2
Glaucus (s.)	Liverpool	Feb. 6
Nourmahal	London	Feb. 7
Karo (s.)	Newport	Feb. 8
Kedwig	Cardiff	Feb. 9
Channel Queen	Cardiff	Feb. 9
Lady Penrhyn	Sydney	Feb. 9
Sarah Nicholson	Sydney	Feb. 10
Braemar Castle (s.)	London	Feb. 10
Egeria (s.)	London	Feb. 10
Wenchow (s.)	Greenock	Feb. 12

AUCTION SALES TO-DAY.

None.

NOTICES OF FIRMS.

NOTICE.

MR. JOSEPH HARMON has been admitted a PARTNER in our Firm, from 1st of April, 1878.

WILLIAMS & Co.
Swatow, March 27th, 1878. [3m533

NOTICE.

MR. GEORGE SKELTON YUILL is authorised to SIGN our FIRM from this date.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.
Hongkong, 1st February, 1878. [tf251

NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day established myself at this Port as MERCHANT and COMMISSION AGENT.

K. LIN MHONE.
Amoy, 1st March, 1878. [1m395

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of Mr. EDWARD CUNNINGHAM in our Firm in Hongkong and China CEASED on the 31st December last.

RUSSELL & Co.
China, March 8th, 1878. [6m439

NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day established myself at this Port as a MERCHANT and COMMISSION AGENT, under the Style or Firm of GEO. R. STEVENS & Co., who will henceforward conduct the Agency of the AUSTRALASIAN STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

G. R. STEVENS.
Hongkong, 29th December, 1877. [84

NOTICE.

MR. HORATIO GAY JAMES was admitted a PARTNER in our Firm on the 1st January, 1878.

GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.
Hongkong, 5th January, 1878. [124

NOTICE.

MR. THEODOR JOHANNES ENGELBRECHT VON PUSTAU has been authorized to SIGN our FIRM per procuration.

WM. PUSTAU & Co.
Hongkong, 22nd March, 1878. [1m507

HONGKONG AND CHINA GAS COMPANY, LIMITED.

During the TEMPORARY ABSENCE of the Undersigned, Mr. THOMAS DANIEL COX PARKER is appointed ACTING MANAGER.

A. NEWTON, Manager.
Hongkong, 21st March, 1878. [1m490

NOTICE.

MR. H. F. MEYERINK has been admitted a PARTNER in our Firm from this date.

MEYER & Co.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1878. [8m74

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned have been appointed by Messrs. PIGOU, WILKS, and LAURENCE, Limited, Gunpowder Manufacturers, of Dartford and Battle, their SOLE AGENTS in HONGKONG and CHINA.

MEYER & Co.
Hongkong, 6th February, 1878. [230

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL ......5,000,000 of Dollars.
RESERVE FUND ......1,000,000 of Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS:—
Chairman—F. D. SASSOON, Esq.
Deputy Chairman—WM. H. FORBES, Esq.

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H. L. Dalrymple, Esq.	Wilhelm Reiners, Esq.
H. Hoppius, Esq.	W. S. Young, Esq.
Hon. W. Keswick.	

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T. JACKSON, Chief Manager.
Offices of the Corporation,
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9] Hongkong, 27th February, 1878.

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Supreme Court House,
Hongkong, 26th February, 1878. [36

TO LET.

THE DWELLING HOUSE, GREENMOUNT, at present in the occupation of J. FAIRBAIRN, Esq.
Possession after 15th April.

Apply to
GILMAN & Co.
Hongkong, 19th March, 1878. [479

TO LET.

NO. 3, WEST TERRACE. Possession on the 1st of March.

Apply to
T. ALGAR,
9, Hollywood Road.
Hongkong, 1st February, 1878. [427

TO LET.

THREE ROOMS, FURNISHED if required, in Premises No. 38-40, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, suitable for Offices.
Also,
TWO SPACIOUS GRANITE GODOWNS on the PRAYA, Spring Gardens, Wanchi.

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Hongkong, 26th March, 1878. [515

TO LET.

HOUSE No. 2, LOWER MOSQUE TERRACE, from 1st April.

Apply to
Messrs. SHARP, TOLLER, AND JOHNSON.
Hongkong, 26th February, 1878. [tf384

TO LET.

THREE OFFICES in CLUB CHAMBERS. DWELLING HOUSE, No. 6, MOSQUE TERRACE; Possession from 15th April next.

Apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, 5th March, 1878. [37

TO LET.

A FIRST-CLASS GRANITE GODOWN on the Praya, Wanchi.

Apply to
OLYPHANT & Co.
Hongkong, 1st March, 1877. [tf10

TO LET.

NO. 9, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, with Godowns attached.
No. 2, SEYMOUR TERRACE.

Apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.
Hongkong, 1st February, 1878. [11

TO LET.

THE HOUSE No. 5, HOLLYWOOD ROAD, lately occupied by Mr. J. M. HANLON.

Apply to
E. R. BELILIOS.
Hongkong, 20th March, 1878. [tf483

HONGKONG HOTEL.

TENDERS are invited for a LEASE of the HONGKONG HOTEL, the present Five-yearly Lease expiring on the 31st August, 1878. SEALED TENDERS to be sent in on or before the 31st March, 1878, to the SECRETARY of the HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED, who will supply any information required.

By Order of the Directors,
LOUIS HAUSCHILD, Secretary.
Hongkong, 15th September, 1877. [1421

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DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 27th June, 1872. [23

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY AT HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned, AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to GRANT INSURANCES to the extent of $65,000, on first-class risks at current rates.

MELCHERS & Co.
Hongkong, 27th March, 1876. [20

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to GRANT POLICIES AGAINST FIRE to the extent of 45,000 Dollars on Buildings or on Goods stored therein, at Current Local Rates, subject to a Discount of 20 % on the premia.

NORTON & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, January, 1876. [2

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CAPITAL (Fully Paid-up) ......Tls. 420,000
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RUSSELL & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 1st October, 1877. [48

AUCTIONS.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on

MONDAY,

the 1st day of April, 1878, at 2 o'clock P.M., at the Residence of ONG-A-KEW, Nos. 8 and 10, Ground Floor and Second Floor, Gutzlaff Street, (Under Distraint for Rent),—

The whole of the HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c., comprising Canton-made BLACKWOOD MARBLE-TOP TABLES, CHAIRS, and STOOLS, BLACKWOOD CARVED SOFAS, CHAIRS, and TABLES.
CHIMNEY GLASSES, ENGRAVINGS, PICTURES, LAMPS, CARPETS, CLOCKS, BOOKCASE, SIDEBOARD, CROCKERY, GLASS, and PLATED WARE, VASES and ORNAMENTS.
Canton-made BLACKWOOD BEDSTEADS, TEAKWOOD WARDROBES, TOILET TABLE and GLASS, and WASHSTANDS.
One IRON SAFE.
&c., &c., &c.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at Purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer.

J. M. ARMSTRONG, Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 26th March, 1878. [516

FURNITURE SALE.

ENGLISH AND CHINA-MADE FURNITURE.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on

THURSDAY,

the 4th April, 1878, at 2 o'clock P.M., at "GREENMOUNT," the Residence of JOHN FAIRBAIRN, Esq.,—

The whole of his HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, comprising:—
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1 Handsomely Carved TEAKWOOD BOOKCASE, with GLASS DOORS; Marble-Top TEA POYS, TEAK WHATNOTS.
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Children's IRON and WOODEN BEDS, WARDROBES, CHESTS of DRAWERS, BATH TUBS.
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Hongkong, 29th March, 1878. [536

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Hongkong, 25th March, 1878. [1w508

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Hongkong, 1st March, 1878. [1m396

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AH YON,
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Hongkong, 26th February, 1878. [387

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Apply to
BATTLES & Co.
Hongkong, 1st December, 1877. [53

FOR SALE.

CHAMPAGNE, 1874,
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Hongkong, 1st November, 1877. [46

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Hongkong, 8th January, 1878. [tf134

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SIEMSSEN & Co.
Hongkong, 1st May, 1876. [12

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Hongkong, January 1st, 1878. [88

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An ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, Queen's Road, on THURSDAY, the 11th April proximo, at 4 P.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Manager, a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1877, and for the election of a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 25th March, 1878. [523

FOR STORAGE in GODOWNS, PRAYA CENTRAL.
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RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, 27th March, 1878. [1m520

DENTAL NOTICE.

DR. ROGERS begs to intimate to his Friends that he is about to visit SHANGHAI, and will be absent from Hongkong from April 1st to June 15th.
Hongkong, 4th March, 1878. [19

PIANOFORTE TUNING.

MR. J. BUCHANAN, BANDMASTER of Her Majesty's 74th Highlanders, begs to announce to the Public of Hongkong that he will undertake to TUNE PIANOFORTES during his stay in the Colony.
Address to Murray Barracks.
Hongkong, 14th March, 1878. [1m461

CHINA FAMINE RELIEF FUND.

SUBSCRIPTIONS to date aggregate $10,883.44, of which sum Taels 6,000 have already been remitted to the Committee at Shanghai by Telegraphic Transfer. LISTS have been left at the BANKS, THE HONGKONG CLUB, THE GERMAN CLUB, Messrs. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.'s, Messrs. MACEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.'s, and Messrs. LAMMERT, ATKINSON & Co.'s.
Gentlemen desirous of contributing will kindly AFFIX their NAMES with AMOUNT of SUBSCRIPTION to any of the above Lists.
H. B. GIBB, Chairman.
Hongkong, 20th March, 1878. [491

YANGTSZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION.

NOTICE TO CONTRIBUTORS.

In accordance with the Articles of Agreement, the Directors have declared a DIVIDEND to Policy-holders for the fiscal year ending 30th September, 1877, of TWENTY-FIVE PER CENT. on the NET PREMIA CONTRIBUTED.
WARRANTS will be delivered by the Undersigned to Contributors of Premia at this Port on and after the 9th instant.
Policy-holders are requested to send in Particulars of their Contributions.
By Order of the Directors,
RUSSELL & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 5th March, 1878. [418

NOTICE.

OFFICE OF THE SHANGHAI STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

IN LIQUIDATION.

A THIRD RETURN of CAPITAL and INTEREST, at the Rate of FIVE TAELS per Share, will be made to Shareholders of Record on the 28th February, payable at the Office of the Liquidators on the 8th March.
WARRANTS will be delivered by the Undersigned to Shareholders or their lawful Representatives, on presentation of Share Certificates for endorsement.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 1st to the 8th March inclusive.
By Order, RUSSELL & Co., Liquidators.
Shanghai, February 28th, 1878. [410

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THE MANAGER,
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East Point.
Hongkong, 1st March, 1878. [6m419

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned has been appointed AGENT at THIS PORT for THE POSITIVE GOVERNMENT SECURITY LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY (LIMITED).
W. H. NOTLEY.
Hongkong, 6th June, 1877. [tf34

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to GRANT INSURANCES at Current Rates.
MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents, Royal Insurance Company.
Hongkong, 27th March, 1876. [21

TRANSATLANTIC FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to accept Risks against Fire at Current Rates, subject to a Bonus of 20 per cent.
SIEMSSEN & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 16th November, 1872. [30

SUN FIRE OFFICE.

THE Undersigned is prepared to Grant Policies against Fire to the extent of $50,000 on First-class Risks.
A Discount of Twenty per cent. (20 %) upon the Current Local Rates of Premia will be allowed upon Insurances effected with this Office.
T. G. LINSTEAD,
Agent, Sun Fire Office.
Hongkong, 4th October, 1870. [32

THE SCOTTISH IMPERIAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed Agent in Hongkong for the above-named Company, is prepared to GRANT POLICIES against FIRE on Buildings and on Goods to the extent of £10,000, at the usual rates, subject to an immediate discount of 20 %.
Attention is invited to a considerable reduction in Premia for LIFE INSURANCE in China.
A. MACG. HEATON.
Hongkong, 27th September, 1875. [28

FOR AMOY.

THE Steamship
"ESMERALDA,"
Cullen, Master, will be despatched for the above Port TO-DAY, at 4 P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, 30th March, 1878. [538

FOR MANILA, VIA AMOY.

THE Spanish Steamer
"EMUY,"
Blanco, Master, will be despatched for the above Ports on MONDAY, the 1st April, at 5 P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
REMEDIOS & Co.
Hongkong, 30th March, 1878. [542

A CHALLENGE.

CORPORAL A. SCOTT will run any man in Hongkong a Hurdle Race of 120 yards, 10 flights of Hurdles, for any moneys between $20 and $50. Man and money ready by applying at any time at No. 5 Room, E Company, 74th Highlanders.
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Hongkong, 30th March, 1878. [2d539

WANTED, for SERVICE at the LIGHT-HOUSES in the Southern District of the China Coast, a few MANILA MEN or MACAOESE. Applicants must be free from organic disease, in good health, and able to produce certificates of good conduct. Salary Hai-kwan Tls. 15 ($22.90) per month.
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WANTED, EMPLOYMENT as FOREMAN BOILERMAKER. Present Engagement (in Japan) expires 31st instant. Best references. Address "A. B.," Office of this Paper.
Hongkong, 27th March, 1878. [1w521

THE ADVERTISER, being anxious to obtain EMPLOYMENT, either as CLERK, ACCOUNTANT, or BOOKKEEPER, and having had several years' experience, offers as an inducement to the obtaining of the same, a CERTAIN CONSIDERATION, to be agreed upon hereafter. Address X. Y. X., Office of this Paper.
Hongkong, 27th March, 1878. [522

NOTICE.

MR. T. J. THOMAS,
SUB-MARINE DIVER,
Leaves for Singapore TO-DAY per P. & O. steamer "KHIVA," for the stranded Steamship "GLORIA."
Address Post Office, Singapore.
March 28th, 1878. [3d366

UNITED STATES' CONSULATE FOR AMOY AND THE DEPENDENCIES THEREOF,
March 26th, 1878.

WHEREAS Complaint has been made to me by the Captain of the late American Ship "FOREST BELLE" charging that that vessel with her Cargo was, on or about the 6th instant, plundered and burned by Chinese subjects at Kwa Liang Bay, Formosa, and
Whereas the said Captain of the "FOREST BELLE" and others, Owners of Cargo therein, have signified to me an intention to prosecute Claims against the Parties responsible for said burning and plundering for the value of said Ship and Cargo, with damages, and have asked me for information as to the steps to be taken by them in order to properly present and prosecute their said Claims, and
Whereas it is desirable that evidence as to the cause of the burning of the said "FOREST BELLE" and Cargo be taken without further delay, and while all the witnesses to the same are on the spot or conveniently near
Now, therefore, I, the Undersigned, Consul of the United States for Amoy and the Dependencies thereof (including the ports of the island of Formosa), do hereby give notice to all persons whom it may concern, and especially to the said Captain NOYES and the Owners of the said "FOREST BELLE," or her Cargo, or their Agents, Underwriters, or Representatives, that I will be and appear, in company with the Chinese Intendant of Circuit for the said Island, at the Port of Takao therein, on the 10th day of April next, for the purpose of taking testimony concerning the burning of the said "FOREST BELLE" and her Cargo.
The said Captain NOYES and all others concerned are hereby notified and requested to be present at such investigation and to have with them there and then any witnesses they may desire to produce concerning the said burning.
J. W. HENDERSON,
535] United States' Consul.

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Cargo impeding discharge of the Steamer will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.
G. B. EMORY, Agent.
Hongkong, 30th March, 1878. [1w540

FROM SINGAPORE AND LONDON.

THE Steamship
"GLENEAGLES"
having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence and from the Wharves or Boats delivery may be obtained.
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Goods remaining undelivered after the 5th April will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
Hongkong, 30th March, 1878. [541

TO CONSIGNEES OF OPTIONAL CARGO, EX O. S. S. CO.'S Str. "DEUCALION," FROM LIVERPOOL.

SHIPPING Orders must be obtained from the Undersigned not later than the 1st prox. for shipment per Steamer "GLAUCUS."
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.
Hongkong, 28th March, 1878. [531

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the undersigned for countersignature, and take immediate delivery. This Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
H. DU POUEY, Agent.
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Mr. C. Grossman, C in diamond, No. 7367, 1 case Mercery, from Marseilles.
Hongkong 28th March, 1878.

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The "Trade Report" has a large circulation in Hongkong, the Ports of China and Japan, the Philippines, Straits Settlements, &c., &c.
Hongkong, 3rd October, 1877.

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R. CHATTERTON WILCOX.
Daily Press Office,
Hongkong, 1st January, 1878.

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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, MARCH 30TH, 1878.

IT is quite a characteristic of the Chinese authorities to let public works go to decay and ruin. When they become absolutely unfit for use, and not till then, is there any attempt made to repair or renew them. Even then, if it be possible, some temporary makeshift is adopted, and the necessary reconstruction delayed to a more convenient day. No matter how much inconvenience the public may be put to, no matter how seriously lives or limbs may be jeopardised by a crumbling structure, if the work can be, by any possible means, it is invariably deferred. The Chinese apparently do not believe in the old English axiom that a stitch in time saves nine: they prefer to wait until the nine imperatively require doing. Proofs of what we have above remarked abound on every hand throughout the Chinese Empire. No sooner has a new building been erected than it is left to take its chance and resist the attacks of wind and weather as best it may. Of course this is a very wasteful and highly extravagant policy, and is opposed to all ordinary ideas of Chinese thrift as seen in their style of living. The real cause is to be found partly in habit, partly in the apathy and corruption of Chinese officials, who are usually solely intent upon squeezing every cash they can from the unfortunate people. Sometimes the provincial treasury has run very low on account of the demands upon it from Peking, which do not ordinarily vary with the circumstances of a province, being arbitrarily fixed, and can only be reduced by memorialising the Throne and pleading impecuniosity. But whatever the cause, the fact remains that public works, such as canals, bridges, pathways—for roads proper do not exist in the Central Kingdom—together with forts, pagodas, and temples, are generally allowed to lapse into such a state of ruinous decay that restoration is often utterly impossible, and entire reconstruction becomes necessary.

It is the same with regard to buildings or works which have been injured or wrecked by flood, fire, or storm. They are suffered to remain untouched for months or years; and sometimes are never renewed at all, though they may be works of great public service and utility. If they cannot possibly be dispensed with, then a cheap temporary erection is made to do duty until in course of time it falls to pieces, to be replaced by a similar fabric, and so on until some official rather more public-spirited than usual resolves upon the restoration of the original in a permanent form. A good illustration of this slovenly and careless practice by Chinese officials of letting the public works go to rack and ruin is mentioned in a recent issue of the Foochow *Herald*. The Long Bridge at Foochow, better known as the "Bridge of Ten Thousand Ages," was allowed to get out of repair and two or three of the broken arches were swept away during the inundations of last June. A wooden platform was then thrown across the breach, and this was made to serve the purpose until the 1st instant, when the new Manchu General-in-Chief of the province of Fohkien made his official entry into the city of Foochow across the bridge, which was, as customary, lined with troops and crowded with curious spectators. The frail wooden structure, which had become ricketty with some eight months' wear and tear, could not bear the unusual pressure, and the supports suddenly giving way, over a hundred persons were precipitated into the river. Fortunately there were a number of steam launches and house boats close at hand, or the large majority of the immersed sight-seers would have been drowned; as it was, about thirty lives were lost, and many more received injuries. But this serious accident, although looked upon as an ill omen by the Manchu General, has failed to rouse the Provincial Authorities to a proper sense of their duty to the inhabitants of Foochow. Instead of rebuilding the broken arches, they have calmly commenced replacing the wooden planking just as though nothing had happened. Most probably the new temporary erection will be swept away in the freshets that may be expected during the next few months, unless it becomes the scene of another disaster in the interim. Unhappily for the Chinese people they are unable to bring any strong pressure to bear upon their rulers to induce them to make provision for the public safety and convenience. Fancy the bridge connecting an important city in England with an opposite river shore being patched for an indefinite period with a few planks! Such shifts and contrivances as this are unworthy of China, backward as she is, and ought not to be tolerated. We wonder the reforming Futai, TING JIH-CHANG, has not something to say in the matter.

The delivery of the American mail was begun at five minutes to six yesterday evening.

It is notified in the Straits *Gazette* that His Excellency the Governor of the Straits Settlements has appointed Dr. N. B. Dennys a Police Magistrate for Singapore.

We notice that Mr. May has been absent from his Magisterial duties since Wednesday, owing to indisposition. Mr. Creagh has had a good deal of work to do and sat till a rather late hour on each day.

The inquest on the bodies of the four passengers by the steamer *Deucalion*, supposed to have been poisoned, which was to have been continued yesterday afternoon at the Magistracy, is postponed until Tuesday, the 2nd proximo, at half-past three o'clock.

Yesterday afternoon two or three rather severe thunderstorms broke over the Colony, accompanied by unusually heavy rain for the time of year. The first storm commenced about three o'clock, but it was so dark for some time previously that the gas had to be lighted in some of the public offices. The lightning was very vivid and constant at one time during the afternoon.

List of articles presented to the City Hall Museum from 2nd to 29th March:—One fœtus of monkey, by Captain J. Godsil; one flying fish, by Mr. R. Clare; two cranes and one crow pheasant, by Mr. J. C. Grant; one diodon pilosus or porcupine fish, by Captain M. Young; two kites, by Captain G. West; one bottle containing snakes, &c., from Port Darwin, Northern Australia, by Miss J. V. Ellis; nine bottles containing crocodile, Tokay snakes, &c., from Bangkok, Siam, by Masters Florence and Reginald Hopkins; and one moth, by Mr. C. S. Taylor.

Return of visitors to the City Hall Library and Museum for the week ending 27th March:—

	EUROPEAN.	CHINESE.
Thursday	50	342
Friday	60	855
Saturday	71	431
Sunday	107	Sunday.
Monday	67	612
Tuesday	77	587
Wednesday	59	535
	491	3,362

The report brought up by the French barque *Paralos* that two European women were on the Gran Cocal, is (in a measure) confirmed by that contained in the statement of the master of the French barque *Succès*. As the Government of New South Wales have numbers of armed schooners, intended for the suppression of the coolie trade, and the exploration of the unknown islands of the numerous archipelagos of the South Pacific, it would be well for Her Majesty's representative here to take the necessary steps to communicate the reports of the two French captains to the authorities at Sydney. Captain Pasco, of the *Paralos* informs us that he was bewildered to hear the natives of Gran Cocal talking in broken English—they asked for shirts and other articles of common use—and says he was only prevented from landing by the insufficiency of his crew and armament, and the comparatively vast number of the natives who crowded round his vessel in their pirogues.—*Japan Gazette*.

ALLEGED MURDER ON SHIPBOARD.

Cheng Ahoi, U-Achuk and U-Ann, *alias* Sha Ayaw, were charged, on suspicion, with poisoning some of the passengers by the *Deucalion*, four of whom died.

Captain Brown, the second and third officers, and the Doctor of the *Deucalion* gave evidence, which was a repetition of that given at the inquest, already published.

The first prisoner asked the doctor if the powder was not medicine for a sore foot.

Doctor Betts—I am unacquainted with Chinese medicines. If I were to analyse it I could tell what it contained.

The captain produced a list containing the names of all the passengers from Penang and Singapore. The first prisoner, the man who was seen to put something in the soup, had no ticket.

Inspector Grimes asked for a remand until the inquest was finished.

His Worship accordingly remanded the case for one week.

POLICE COURT.

29th March.

BEFORE C. V. CREAGH, ESQ.

DRUNKENNESS.

John Horton, seaman, unemployed, was charged by P.C. 29th with being drunk and incapable. The prisoner was discharged with a caution.

UNLAWFUL POSSESSION.

Li Atang was charged with being in unlawful possession a leather bag.

P. C. 573 said that he met the prisoner in Stanley-street with the bag produced in his possession. He could not give a satisfactory account of its being in his possession. Witness brought him to the Central Station. Inquiries had been made, but no owner had been found.

Prisoner said that a woman sold it to him. He then said a marine hawker sold it to him. He could produce the hawker.

His Worship remanded the case until Tuesday. In the meantime the prisoner to seek the hawker. The magistrate granted bail in one householder $10.

ROBBERY ON THE "DEUCALION."

Sha Ayow *alias* U Asun was charged with stealing £172 from a fellow passenger on the *Deucalion*.

Captain Robert John Brown said—I am master of the British steamer *Deucalion*. On the morning of the 27th instant, between five and six o'clock, when at sea, one of the Chinese deck passengers came to me and told me that he had been robbed of about 200 sovereigns. As I was just at the entrance of the Ly-ee-moon Pass, I called the chief Chinese cook who acts as interpreter on board the vessel, and said to him, "You must assist to find the man who took this passenger's money, and that I would allow no passengers to land in Hongkong until after the police had been on board." Upon arrival in Hongkong shortly afterwards the police boat came off. I saw nothing more; until I gave three men in charge for poisoning several of the passengers, on the evening of the 21st instant.

By the Court—On entering the harbour I had two men put in irons on suspicion in the poisoning case.

James Borason said—I am third officer on the *Deucalion*. On the morning of the 27th instant I was on the forecastle superintending the washing of decks. A Chinaman (pointing to Jonny Gam) brought another Chinaman to me and said that he have makee steal my money, £220. Yau Chim Po (the complainant) was with him, but said nothing. I said if you have got him hold on to him. When the water approached the man's mat he lifted it up and several sovereigns fell from it upon the deck. I looked at the sovereigns, which were Australian. I was then called to the bridge, my station. The captain told me to put two of Chinese passengers who were pointed out (prisoner being one) in irons which I did.

By the Court—I did not know why they were in irons. I got the order to do so, and I carried it out. I saw the prisoner searched when on board of the Police Hulk. Some Australian sovereigns were taken from him. The sovereigns were taken from under the prisoners' arm, and were tied up in a white cloth.

By the Captain—I went back to the ship, and under a cask I saw the constable find a quantity of sovereigns. That was where the prisoner was fastened to when in irons. The prisoner pointed out the place where to find the sovereigns. When I put the irons on the prisoner another man said, "That b'long my fiend. He makee losem money too."

P.C. 35 said on the morning of the 26th instant I boarded the steamer *Deucalion*. I saw the captain, who reported to me that four dead bodies was on the ship, and in his opinion they had been poisoned. He charged three men on suspicion who were in irons. I took them into custody, and took them on board the Police Hulk. The robbery was also reported to me, but the captain knew nothing of it. I went on board again, and a woman handed me the packet produced. I did not understand what she said, as she spoke in Chinese.

By the Court—This was before I took the prisoners off to the hulk.

Witness continued—I then got all the Chinese witnesses and took them in the police boat to the hulk. I there reported the case and searched the prisoners. On the third prisoner I found 42 sovereigns in one bundle and 23 sovereigns in another bundle. In one of his shoes I found 17 sovereigns.

By the Court—They were all Australian sovereigns. The other two prisoners had nothing upon them. I then went on board the *Deucalion* again with the first prisoner, who showed me two parcels under a cask containing 30 sovereigns in one and 19 sovereigns in the other. The complainant gave me a leather bag, which contained 6 sovereigns, $1, and sixty-five cents. I took the prisoner and a man named Jonnie Yam back to the hulk.

His Worship remanded the case until Wednesday next.

LATEST TELEGRAMS.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

SUPPLIED TO THE "DAILY PRESS."

[BY SOUTHERN ROUTE.]

LONDON, 28th March, Midnight.

THE POLITICAL SITUATION IN EUROPE.

Russia maintains her right to veto the discussion of the entire peace conditions at the European Congress. The diplomatic correspondence has closed, and all hopes of the European Congress have ceased.

RESIGNATION OF LORD DERBY.—THE BRITISH RESERVES CALLED OUT.

A special Cabinet Council has been held to consider the reply of Russia, and Lord Derby has resigned in consequence of the British Government having called out the reserves.

CANTON.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

27th March.

The wet weather still continues. Rain has fallen in the city nearly every day since the Chinese New Year, and on the 16th instant and following days the authorities repaired to the Sing Wong temple to petition for its cessation. Proclamations are issued prohibiting the slaughter of cattle.

All branches of trade are exceedingly dull, and robberies and larcenies in houses and in the streets are of daily occurrence. Ten notorious sea-pirates were beheaded on the execution ground last week.

The inhabitants of Canton and the officials have subscribed liberally to a fund for the relief of the sufferers from famine in the district of Tsing Yuen, on the North River. Tls. 5,000 have been subscribed by the Governor-General and Tls. 500 by the Prefect. The distress in the district named is, according to all accounts, very great. Several thousands of the unfortunate people have banded together and plundered all the villages near, and when last heard of they had reached Fat Kong, which city it is reported they have taken. The affair assumes almost the proportions of a rebellion. A large force has been despatched to disperse the people.

It is notified in the *Peking Gazette* that the Provincial Judge Kwoh Yinz is promoted to be judge of Kiang-si. His place will be filled by Salt Commissioner, Shing Fu, and the latter will be succeeded by the Chekiang Taotai, Ho Chu Ying.

Notice has been issued by the Governor-General stating that summer hats are to be worn on the 3rd of April.

Soo Ting-Fui, formerly Governor-General of the Yellow River, who retired from office some years ago, died at Canton on the 22nd instant, after a short illness. He was seventy-nine years of age.

MACAO.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

28th March.

His Excellency Senhor João Eduardo Scarnichia, late harbour master at Macao, leaves with his family for Europe by the next French mail, after a residence of twenty-four years in China. Senhor Scarnichia arrived in March, 1854, in the Portuguese corvette *Don João I.*, and in November of the same year he took command of the war lorcha *Amazona*, and joined the expedition under Captain O'Callaghan against the Ku-lan pirates. The vessels composing the expedition were H.B.M.S. *Encounter*, *Barracouta*, and *Styx*; the N. S. S. *Queen*, the P. and O. steamers *Canton* and *Sir Charles Forbes*, and the Portuguese lorcha *Amazona*. The *Amazona*, being of less draught than the other vessels composing the expedition, took a prominent part in the attack on the town of Kulan and the three forts near it. She sailed in with her ten howitzers and anchored within six hundred yards of the forts. Senhor Scarnichia was publicly complimented by Captain O'Callughan upon his own conduct and that of his gallant crew, and for the services rendered during the expedition he was promoted to a rank of distinction by his sovereign. When the *Amazona* was condemned Senhor Scarnichia was appointed harbour master here, which position he has since filled with great ability. He was very popular, and many of the poor, who often partook of his charity, will miss him sorely. The inhabitants of Macao, wishing to give expression to the esteem in which they hold the gallant officer, have presented him with a handsome silver cup, purchased by public subscription. The presentation was made by the Municipal Chamber in the name of the inhabitants, and a suitable address was read by the President of the Chamber. Senhor Scarnichia expressed his gratitude to the inhabitants of the city for the cordial mark of their esteem, and said he would hand down the valuable present he had received as an heirloom to his family.

FOOCHOW.

H.B.M.'s gunboat *Moorhen* arrived at Pagoda Anchorage on the 20th instant from Wenchow.

We are glad to observe that arrangements for the manufacture of ice and aerated waters during the summer season have been completed by Mr. Begley, the late manager of the dissolved Foochow Ice Company.

The United States corvette *Monocacy*, having on board Admiral Patterson, the Commander-in-Chief of the United States Squadron in China and Japan, arrived in port on the 17th instant from Amoy, and left for Shanghai on the 20th instant.

The Honorary Secretary to the local committee of the China Famine Relief Fund (Mr. A. Forbes Angus) requests us to state that he has sent a second remittance to Shanghai of $1,647.72, which sum has been collected for the sufferers from Foreign and Chinese friends.

We hear that on the occasion of Admiral Patterson's recent visit to this port there was a little unpleasantness between His Excellency and the Chinese officials, in connexion with his reception by the latter. In our next issue we hope to be in a position to publish further information on the subject.

We hear that by a recent Imperial decree the third degree of Chinese official rank has been conferred on foreign Commissioners of Maritime Customs. We are not informed as to whether this includes the privilege of entry to a yamên through the side gate, a distinction which the Consular representatives of treaty powers have hitherto held in light esteem.

We observe that the telegraph posts between the Settlement and Mamoi are in a very shaky condition. At the time of the transfer of this line to the local government it was understood that the native pupils of the late Telegraph School were qualified to maintain it in thorough working order. It is, however, sadly neglected, and must soon entirely collapse unless in the meantime the officials entrusted with its maintenance bestir themselves.

From Pagoda Anchorage we learn that the Arsenal gunboats *Alpha* and *Beta* were docked together on the 19th instant in Messrs. John Forster & Co.'s Dock at Mamoi. On completion of these repairs the sister craft *Gamma* and *Delta* will, we understand, take their place in the Dock. We believe that it was the original intention of the local admiralty to make use of the patent slip belonging to the Arsenal, but it was found that in order to do this it would be necessary to remove the heavy guns from the vessels and thereby incur additional expense. It will therefore be seen that however reluctant the Chinese authorities may be to facilitate the construction by foreigners of docks, railways, telegraphs, &c., they are quite ready to avail of these innovations when it suits their purpose to do so.

The Annual General Meeting of the Gymnasium Club was held at the Club House on Tuesday last, the 19th instant. Mr. Tatham was voted to the chair, and called upon the Honorary Secretary, Mr. Deacon, to read the financial report for the past year. This report was most satisfactory, and showed a balance of about $400 available for distribution amongst the shareholders. The Honorary Secretary stated that the building was in good repair, and that at present no extraordinary expenditure was called for. On the motion of Mr. Weeks, seconded by Mr. Robinson, it was unanimously decided to declare a dividend of $12 per share. It was then proposed by Mr. Mansfield and seconded by Mr. Robinson—"that members absent from the port for more than three months be charged half subscription," which was carried without dissent. A vote of thanks to the chair concluded the business of the meeting.—*Foochow Herald*.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The O. and O. steamer *Gaelic*, Captain Kidley, with the American mail of the 21st ultimo, arrived here from San Francisco yesterday evening. We take the subjoined items from the *Daily Alta*:—

UNITED STATES.

SUFFERINGS AT SEA.

NEW YORK, February 11th.

The schooner *Speedwell*, from Cadiz, arrived to-day with the Captain and crew of the schooner *Sallie M. Steelman*, from Charleston for Baltimore, which was abandoned at sea. The captain of the *Steelman*, makes the following statement:—On January 29th, twenty miles southeast from Hatteras, we encountered a terrific gale, lasting seventy hours, which washed everything movable from the decks. We used our last provisions on the morning of January 23rd. On the night of the 24th, during a heavy gale, the vessel sprang a leak. On the 27th, three of the crew gave out, leaving only four to manage the vessel and pumps, and we were fast becoming exhausted. On the 30th, George Seaman, colored, who had become crazy, attempted to take the life of Walter Simpson, but was instantly killed by the latter, who during the afternoon ate a portion of his dead body. On the 31st we were rescued.

Another account says:—Before leaving the schooner the crew became so crazed with hunger that it was suggested that they would be obliged to cast lots for one of the number to furnish food to keep the others alive. For eight days nothing passed their lips except fresh water and tobacco, which appeased their hunger only slightly. Finally, one of the sailors was killed in a quarrel, when his body was cut up. The upper part was thrown overboard, and the limbs were salted down for food. From the thigh, steaks were cut, almost before the flesh was cold, and broiled. These were eaten with relish by the starving men. The crew consisted of the captain, mate, cook, and four seamen—three of the latter being colored.

BAYARD TAYLOR APPOINTED MINISTER TO GERMANY.

WASHINGTON, February 15th.

The President has nominated Bayard Taylor, Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary to Germany.

GREAT STORMS IN CALIFORNIA.

SACRAMENTO, February 18th.

Considerable alarm was felt this morning that the very heavy storms of wind, rain, and snow throughout the Sacramento section, yesterday, and last night, would cause the overflow of the city. Fortunately there is no real ground for apprehension, as the rivers are now falling, and the city is undoubtedly perfectly secure. Yesterday the Sacramento, American, Mokolumne, Bear, Feather, and Yuba rivers rose very rapidly. The Yolo levee at Mrs. French's ranch at Deadman's Drift six miles below Washington, has given way, and the mass of water relieves the river considerably. A great deal of damage was done by overflows of the various rivers, but no loss of life is reported.

COLLEGE AMUSEMENTS.

NEW YORK, February 12th.

A serious affray occurred last night in the Princeton (N. J.) College between Sophomores and eight Freshmen, in which one of the Sophomores was dangerously shot. The Sophomores' room was entered by the Freshmen, who bound Sophomores to chairs, shaved their heads and left them tied. Other Sophomores followed the Freshmen. Shots were exchanged, and Atterburg, of the Sophomore class, was wounded in the thigh. Great excitement prevails.

A COSTLY STRIKE.

LONDON, February 13th.

The strike of the masons is virtually over, the men recognizing the hopelessness of the struggle, which cost them £30,000.

RUSSIAN SOCIALIST ARRESTED.

ODESSA, February 13th.

A number of Socialist propagandists were arrested on Monday night. Two or three were wounded in a struggle with the police, several of whom were also wounded.

SIAMESE PROGRESS.

LONDON, February 12th.

Advices from Siam say that the King of Siam will send a diplomatic representative to the United States next year. It is highly probable, through the influence of the American Consul at Bangkok, that the Siamese Government will send a number of youths to America to be educated. The youths who were going with Chandler two years ago, but were prevented by Partridge, have been recently sent to Germany for their education.

EXPLORERS DEAD.

BRUSSELS, February 18th.

An official telegram from Zanzibar announces the death there of Messrs. Mars and Crespet, who were sent by the King of Belgium to explore the interior of Africa.

A CHINESE INFLUX INTO AMERICA PREDICTED

LONDON, February 20th.

It is stated on authority which cannot be questioned, that seventy millions of human beings are now starving in the famine-stricken provinces of North China. *The Times* says:—We cannot doubt that if the Chinese have found their way to America from the comparatively prosperous eastern provinces in thousands, they will pour forth in myriads from the famine-stricken districts of the North as soon as a way is opened to them. The Chinese difficulty may speedily become a greater menace to the future of the United States than the negro difficulty was at its worst, for negro immigration was never voluntary and ceased with the abolition of the slave trade, while if the Chinese tide once begins to flow in force, it is difficult to see where and when it will stop.

ARMENIA.

The *Cologne Gazette* is informed from Moscow that the Commission for the organization of the conquered parts of Armenia has terminated its labours. The male population of the whole territory, including the not yet conquered districts of Erzeroum, Van, and Batoum, amounts to 610,741—180,188 Armenians, 207,049 Kurds, 189,250 Turks, 25,098 Kistibashas, and 2,000 Tartars. Armenia is to be divided into two governments, and six districts—Tshaldir, Bayazid, Van, Mush, Erivan, and Kars. The districts are fertile, and the Commissioners believe that the receipts from them will, after deducting the expenses of administration, yield a net profit of 3,000,000 roubles.

There is an effort afoot, it seems, for declaring Isabella, the some time Queen of the Spaniards, insane. This may suggest to a few the very nice question of whether it is better to be insane or in Spain.

A newspaper correspondent in Odessa says that the very best oysters, equal to our own natives, are to be had there now for 20 kopecks a hundred. There are 100 kopecks in a rouble, and a rouble is equal to two shillings of English money. On a rough calculation, therefore, oysters are about fourpence-halfpenny a hundred in Odessa—and Odessa is in Russia and Russia is at war. In England "natives" are three shillings a dozen—and England is at peace. *Ergo*, let us go to war at once. The "delicious bivalve" alone would make the game worth the candle.

In their monthly price list, dated London, the 12th ult., Messrs. Brooker, Dore & Co. thus refer to the metal market:—Reports from the various centres of the trade for the past month vary but little from those received at the commencement of the year. Prices for Middlesboro' Pig Iron remain unchanged, and makers seem determined to resist all attempts to obtain further concessions from them. In Glasgow the market has been improving, and quotations show a slight advance upon last month's prices. The following are the quotations for Baldwin's Sheet iron:—"Severn" Sheets, £11; "Baldwin-Wilden" B Coke Singles, £12; BB Coke Singles, £13; BBB Coke Singles, £14; B Charcoal, £19 10s.; BB Charcoal, £21 10s. Baldwin's tin plates—"Stour" Coke, 1C, 20s. 6d. per box; "Arley" Coke, 1C, 22s. 6d. per box; "Unicorn" Charcoal, 1C, 23s. 6d. per box; "Wilden" Charcoal, 1C, 25s. per box; "E. P. & W. B. WH." Charcoal, 1C, 27s. per box; Common Welsh Coke Tin Plates, 1C, 17s. 3d. to 18s. 6d. per box.

MISCELLANEOUS.

An old writer says: "I have seen women so delicate that they were afraid to ride, for fear of the horse running away; afraid to sail, for fear the boat might be upset; afraid to walk, for fear they might fall; but I have never seen one afraid to be married, which is far more riskful than all the others put together."

An old wealthy valetudenarian lady took it into her head that she needed change of air, and going to her medical man she insisted upon him writing a minute account of her case for the benefit of the practitioner who was to supply his place. In a few days she received a bulky packet, but sealed. Her curiosity was aroused, and she heated the wax over a taper till it yielded. There was a roll of blank paper only, save for a few works—in Latin, which she could not translate. She transcribed them, and sent them to an acquaintance, who, by return of post, gave her the translation—"I have sent you a fat goose; pluck it well."

A farmer in the west of Perthshire, one day finding his snuff-box empty, sent his son, a boy of six or seven years, to the neighbouring village for a fresh supply. The shop was kept by a miller, who also dealt in the various articles in demand in the locality, and was a farmer to boot. Among his stock was a large boar, which was regarded with considerable interest, not unmixed with awe, by the youngsters of the neighbourhood. In due time the boy returned with the article desired, and gave the following account of his stewardship. "There's your snuff, faither; and the miller's boar wudna let me past till I bought barley-sugar wi' the change."

Many years ago a pitman was undergoing examination before a judge in the city of Durham. The barrister, in order to show that he was unworthy of belief, asked him who made him. The pitman appeared to be puzzled at the question, and, after scratching his head awhile, replied, "Well," sor, awse shure I divin' knaw." "Come, come, my man, you must know that," said the barrister. "Well," he replied, "noo a' sum to think on't, I think Mosses myed us." "My lord," said the barrister, "is this man fit to give evidence?—he actually does not know the name of his Maker." The witness was ordered to stand down, but before obeying the mandate he obtained the judge's permission to ask his legal tormentor one question. "Noo mister lawyer, yor varry clivvor aboot who myed uz," asked the pitman. "Can ye tell uz who myed ye?" "Well, my good man," was the ready reply, "I suppose that if Moses made you, Aaron made me." "Dee ye say see?" retorted the pitman, with a significant glance at the audience. "I've heerd afore to-day that Aaron once myed a calf, but I never seed him till noo!"

A major of the Galway Militia has, says a contemporary, an enthusiasm for his branch of the service. In his eyes the Militia is the backbone of the British military resources, Galway Militia the cream of the service, and himself the most efficient officer in the corps. His idiosyncrasy is proverbial, even among the lower orders of the district. Not so long ago he was on the bench at petty sessions. One Biddy, an old incorrigible, was brought up charged with drunkenness and assault. Said the major, after hearing evidence, "Biddy, you're always coming here, and the bench are determined to give you a lesson this time. The sentence upon you is six months' imprisonment with hard labour." Biddy curtsied. She had recovered her sobriety, "May I spake a word wid the gentlemen?" she asked humbly. "You may say what you like, Biddy, but I don't think it will alter our decision." Biddy cleared her throat. "Well, gentlemen, I'm dead out o' luck, I am. There's my husband, he's doin' seven years; I've a brother as has got a twelve-month, and a son run in for six weeks; I've a sister as is an out-and-out bad 'un; but I thank the Power that made me, and the Holy Vargin preserves me, that there was nivir one o' mine had iver anything to do wid the Milishy!"

Innumerable are the tales of actors in difficulties. A very quaint one is related of Christian Brandes, the dramatist, who in his youth belonged to a strolling company which played pieces of an extremely primitive kind. On one occasion the play was entitled "Hero and Leander," the dialogue being left pretty much to the discretion of the players. It had been agreed, however, that Hero was to be coy, and not confess her love for Leander till he had again and again expressed his readiness to be hanged, burned, and drowned on her behalf. But the lady was soft-hearted and perhaps soft-headed, besides being exceedingly fond of Brandes; nor could she listen unmoved to the first passionate pleadings of the youth who explained that he had swum across the Hellespont to see her. "My dear Leander," she exclaimed, "I cannot resist you. Accept my hand and my heart." Leander knew not what to say; all his prepared phrases were useless. The manager came to his aid with a loud whisper addressed to Hero, "In the fiend's name, improvise a few words and retire!" The poor girl, turning to the audience, repeated her lesson, "In the fiend's name, I improvise a few words and retire," and then tripped off the stage greatly relieved. The audience shouted with delight.

The officers of the first French squadron that ever anchored in Boston harbour received an invitation to dinner from one of Boston's "cits" named Tracy. The good Bostonian, led astray by the popular belief that Frenchmen live chiefly on frogs, caused all the swamps of Cambridge to be searched in order to furnish a generous supply. When the soup was brought up, the host ladelled out a supply for his guest, taking care that each should have a frog. The Admiral had the first plateful, and, on putting his spoon in, fished up a large frog "as green and as complete as if it had hopped out of a pond into the tureen." Not knowing what it was, he seized it by one of its hind legs, and, holding it up in front of the whole company, discovered that it was a fully grown frog. As the plates went round, fresh discoveries were made, and the uproar grew universal. Meantime the host kept the ladle going, wondering what his outlandish guests meant by such extravagant merriment. "What is the matter?" he asked at length, raising his head and surveying the frogs, which, held out by one leg, were dangling in all directions, "Why don't they eat them?" he exclaimed. "If they knew the confounded trouble I had to catch them, in order to treat them to a dish of their own country, they would find that with me at least it was no joke."

One day, after riding some distance in a hackney coach, Hook discovered he had no money in his pocket to pay the fare. Catching sight of a friend upon the road, he took him up, hoping to borrow from him the sum required, but the friend was as impecunious as himself. Hook considered for a moment, then, calling out to the coachman, desired him to drive to Mr. ——'s, a well-known West-end surgeon. Arrived there he sprang out of the coach, knocked loudly, and demanded of the servant who answered if Mr. So-and-So was within. The doctor was descending the stairs at the time. "Oh, my dear sir," he cried in a wildly agitated voice, "I trust you are not engaged—excuse the feelings of a husband, perhaps a father by this time—your attendance is required instantly at Mr. ——, No. —, such-and-such a street. Don't lose a moment: a most peculiar case, I assure you." "I will order my carriage and go at once," said the doctor. "No need for such delay, I have one at the door; jump in; I have to go for the nurse, and will follow immediately." The lady to whose house the doctor was driven was a sour-tempered middle-aged spinster; her indignation upon receiving such a visit for such a purpose may be imagined, and the doctor was too glad to escape from her very pronounced wrath. But his troubles were not yet over, for upon arriving home cabby demanded of him the entire fare, and would not leave the house until it was paid.

The coachman and footman of some of the guests at the late banquet at the Guildhall, on Lord Mayor's Day, appear to have become infected by the general merry-making. One worthy pair, having imbibed freely, proceeded to conduct their master and mistress homewards. "James," said the master to the footman, "I am afraid Robinson is not quite steady; get on the box and look after him." "Surtinly, sir," said James. Robinson whipped up the horses and the carriage rattled at a smart rate out of Guildhall Yard. The occupants of the carriage fancied that the pace was great and were somewhat alarmed when a hansom cab and a knot of spectators appeared to hurry out of their path. When crossing the Viaduct a policeman shouted to the coachman to stop, and a lame crossing-sweeper narrowly escaped from being run over. A few remonstrances with the coachman rendered the pace somewhat more in accordance with the police regulations, but in a few minutes the horses were again lashed into a gallop, and the carriage rattled along Holborn at a rate that induced cabs and carts and passengers to rapidly give place. Upon reaching home the gentleman called up the footman and demanded an explanation of the unusual behaviour of the coachman. "Well, you know, sir," he replied, "I hope as 'ow you won't mention it to Robinson, sir, but afore he was in your service, sir, he used to drive a fire-engine: he 'ad something to drink and forget himself a bit, sir."

POSTAL SERVICE UNDER DIFFICULTIES.

It invariably happens in the winter that for a period ranging from a few days to as many weeks the island of Cronstadt is surrounded by ice. When the surface of the Gulf of Finland is in this condition it is impossible to carry across the mails on foot, or in a ferry boat, or even force a passage through it with the incisive ram of steamers especially constructed for service amidst the ice, because the crust may be only weak in mid-channel. The only way to pass from Cronstadt to the mainland, or *vice versâ*, under such circumstances is to employ a species of craft for which the Russians have no other designation than the somewhat inappropriate one of "lifeboat." In appearance this vessel greatly resembles an American coffin, or "casket," mounted on stout wooden runners. Its crew consists of seven sailors and a guide; the latter mostly a petty officer of the Cronstadt fleet. Starting from the shore, where the ice is generally more cohesive than in the channel, the boat acts first as a sledge, the seven sailors hauling it along by means of ropes, while the guide, going in front ten or twelve paces, cautiously probes the surface with a long pike. It sometimes happens that the ice easily sustains the weight of one man, and does not give until the boat with its passengers and mails begins to press upon it. Then an ominous cracking is heard; clear crystal rays shoot out on every side like cracked glass; the sailors spring into the boat, and a moment later it is floating on the water, while broken masses of ice grind and scrape against its sides. In the meantime the guide has been left stranded on a piece of ice often less in size than a yard in diameter, but from practice he easily steadies himself on this, and pushes his way through, or is tugged by a rope till he reaches the boat. Having seated himself at the stern he now acts as pilot, while the sailors push the vessel along with boat hooks. In this manner they go through the crumbling ice until they come to where the crust is hard again. Then the "lifeboat"—just as though the party were going to land on *terra firma*—is shoved alongside the ice-crust, the sailors spring out, and the vessel, hauled on the surface, again acts as a sledge. Sometimes the boat succeeds in reaching its destination without further submersion, but as often as not the dipping process is repeated several times during the journey across the five miles of ice stretching between Cronstadt and the mainland.—*Globe*.

A clergyman was nearly surprised into a laugh, the other day, while celebrating a marriage ceremony. When he asked the bride, "Wilt thou have this man to be thy wedded husband?" she blushed, simpered, then looked up archly, dropped the prettiest curtsey in the world, and said, "If you please, sir."

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

OPIUM.

FRIDAY, 29th March.

Patna placed to-days at $585, and Benares at $565. Malwa quoted at $725.

EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON.—
Bank Bills, on demand 3/10¼
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight 3/10½
Bank Bills, at 6 months' sight 3/11 to 3/11¼
Credits, at 6 months' sight ....3/11¼ to 3/11½
Documentary Bills, at 6 months' sight ....3/11¼ to 3/11½
ON BOMBAY.—Bank, sight 222½
ON CALCUTTA.—Bank, sight 222½
ON SHANGHAI.—
Bank, sight 71¾
Private, 30 days' sight 72¾

SHARES.

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Shares—54 per cent. premium nominal.
Union Insurance Society of Canton—$1,300 per share.
China Traders' Insurance Company's Shares—$1,200 per share.
Yangtsze Insurance Association—Tls. 625 per share.
Chinese Insurance Company—$250 per share.
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company's Shares—$690 per share.
China Fire Insurance Company's Shares—$170 per share.
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company's Shares—3 per cent. premium.
Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.'s Shares—$17 per share discount.
Shanghai Steam Navigation Company—Tls. 22 per share.
Hongkong Gas Company's Shares—$75 per share.
Hongkong Hotel Company's Shares—$55 per share.
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—2 per cent. discount.
Chinese Imperial Loan—£105. Ex. 4s. 11d.
Chinese Imperial Loan of 1877—£103 15s.

SALES ON MARCH 28TH, AS REPORTED BY CHINESE.

Vermicelli—20 bags, at $6.30, by Kwong-yue-chong to travelling trader.
White Wax—3 pieces, at $62.20, by Ching-foong-shing to travelling trader.
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29TH MARCH.

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(FROM MESSRS. FALCONER & CO.'S REGISTER.)

March 29th.

Barometer—9 A.M.	30.050
Barometer—1 P.M.	30.020
Barometer—4 P.M.	30.030
Thermometer—9 A.M.	75½
Thermometer—1 P.M.	78½
Thermometer—4 P.M.	71
Thermometer—9 A.M. (Wet bulb)	76
Thermometer—1 P.M. (Wet bulb)	77
Thermometer—4 P.M. (Wet bulb)	71
Thermometer—Maximum	79
Thermometer—Minimum (over night)	70½

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

YESTERDAY'S TELEGRAMS.

March 29th.

BAROMETER, THERMOMETER, &c.	HONGKONG Previous day at 4 P.M.	HONGKONG On date at 10 A.M.	AMOY Previous day at 4 P.M.	AMOY On date at 10 A.M.	SHANGHAI Previous day at 4 P.M.	SHANGHAI On date at 10 A.M.	NAGASAKI Previous day at 4 P.M.	NAGASAKI On date at 10 A.M.
Barometer	30.11	30.12	29.96	29.96	—	—	30.21	30.06
Thermometer attached	67.0	71.0	—	—	—	—	55.8	55.0
Direction of Wind	SW	S	SE	SW	—	—	NE	N
Force	1	4	6	1	—	—	2	4
Dry Thermometer	67.0	71.0	70.0	68.0	—	—	60.8	49.5
Wet Thermometer	69.0	68.0	68.0	65.0	—	—	12.5	50.7
Weather	c.m.	bcm.	o.c.f.	f.f.	—	—	o.c.	—
Hours Rain	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Quantity fallen	—	0.10	—	—	—	—	—	—

BAROMETER, level of the sea in inches, tens, and hundreds.
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DIRECTION OF WIND is registered every two points, N., N.N.E., N.E., &c.
FORCE OF WIND—0 calm, 1 to 3 light breeze, 3 to 6 moderate, 6 to 7 fresh, 7 to 8 strong, 8 to 10 heavy, 10 to 12 violent.
STATE OF WEATHER—B. Clear blue sky, C. Cloudy, D. Drizzly, F. Fog, G. Foggy, H. Hail, L. Lightning, M. Misty, O. Overcast, P. Passing showers, Q. Squally, R. Rainy, S. Snow, T. Thunder, U. Bad, threatening, V. Visibility, W. Stormy, Z. Calm. The letters are repeated to indicate any increase over the mean average of their signification.
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ADOLPH, German bark, Horn.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
ALDEN BESSE, American bark, Noyes.—Rozario & Co.
ALEXANDER NEWTON, British bark, Newton.—Huck-sing.
ALICE M. MINOTT, American ship, Whitmore.—Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.
ATALANTA, German steamer, Petersen.—Siemssen & Co.
ATHOLL, British steamer, Thomson.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
BENLEDI, British steamer, Buchanan.—Captain.
B. F. WATSON, American bark, Hawkins.—Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.
CHANDOS, American ship, Emery.—Naval Yard.
CHARGER, American ship, Hallett.—P. & O. S. N. Co.
CITY OF HALIFAX, British ship, Evans.—Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.
CONDOR, Ger. bark, Steffens.—Siemssen & Co.
CONQUEST, British steamer, Scott.—Kwong-lee-yuen.
CORONA, British ship, Spence.—Captain.
CRUSADER, American bark, Gorham.—Captain.
ELCANO, American ship, Barmby.—P. & O. S. N. Co.
ELISE, Hawaiian brig, Permien.—Chinese.
EME, British bark, Asals.—Butterfield & Swire.
EMPIRE, American ship, Leckie.—Messageries Maritimes.
E. P. BOUVERIE, British bark, Evans.—Order.
FALCON, British bark, Barry.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
FREEMAN CLARK, American ship, Dwight.—Battles & Co.
GLENEAGLES, British steamer, MacBain.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
GLENORCHY, British steamer, Hogg.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
GLOBE, British bark, Harrison.—Meyer & Co.
GREAT ADMIRAL, American ship, Thompson.—Russell & Co.
GUSTAV, German brig, Johansen.—Ed. Schellhass & Co.
HAKON ADELSTEN, Norw. steamer, Berge.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
HARKAWAY, Brit. bark, Petts.—Russell & Co.
JAVA, Dutch steamer, Weber.—Wm. Pustau & Co.
JEAN PIERRE, French bark, Legasse.—Carlowitz & Co.
JESSIE JAMIESON, British bark, G. West.—Douglas Lapraik & Co.
KALAJA, Russian bark, Roos.—Chinese.
MALABAR, British steamer, Gould.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
MARIA RAVANO, Italian ship, Ravano.—Order.
MARION, British steamer, Smith.—Siemssen & Co.
MARQUIS OF ARGYLE, British bark, McKeon.—Rozario & Co.
MECCA, British steamer, Morney.—Landstein & Co.
NIMROD, British bark, Clark.—Adamson, Bell & Co.
NORTHERN STAR, British bark, Wortley.—Wieler & Co.
ORION, British bark, Scott.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
PACIFIC, German steamer, Petersen.—Hernshein & Co.
PERIM, British steamer, Linton.—T. G. Linstead & Co.
QUARTA, German steamer, Haye.—Soey Shing.
QUICKSTEP, American bark, Barnaby.—Master.
RIVER LAGAN, British bark, Quinn.—Douglas Lapraik & Co.
SAMAR, American ship, Miller.—Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.
SEAMEN'S BRIDE, Siamese bark, Andreassen.—Chinese.
SPINAWAY, British bark, Pringle.—Siemssen & Co.
STAR OF INDIA, British bark, Holloway.—Borneo Co.
SUMATRA, American ship, Clough.—Order.
THALES, British steamer, Coles.—Douglas Lapraik & Co.
TINTERN ABBEY, British steamer, Tindall.—Kin Tye Loong.
TITAN, American ship, Berry.—Russell & Co.
TRIO, Dutch bark, Bakker.—Siemssen & Co.
ULYSSES, British steamer, Guard.—Butterfield & Swire.
WEGA, German ship, Jackens.—Melchers & Co.
WEST STANLEY, British steamer, Ashby.—Russell & Co.
WILDWOOD, American ship, Harriman.—Messageries Maritimes.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH.

FOR MANILA.

THE Steamship "MACTAN," Erquiaga, Master, will be despatched for the above Port TO-DAY, the 30th instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, 29th March, 1878. [532

FOR LONDON.

THE A1 British Bark "IONIAN," Cave, Master, will load here and will be despatched TO-DAY, the 30th instant.

For Freight, apply to

MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, 20th March, 1878. [481

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, AND FOOCHOW.

THE Steamship "YESSO," Captain S. Ashton, will be despatched for the above Ports TO-MORROW, the 31st instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, 27th March, 1878. [528

FOR SHANGHAI.

THE Steamship "GLENEAGLES" will be despatched for the above Port on or about MONDAY, the 1st proximo.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Hongkong, 27th March, 1878. [526

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship "AGAMEMNON" will be despatched on or about the 5th proximo.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 28th March, 1878. [437

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship "ORISSA" will leave for the above place shortly after the arrival of the Steamship "NIZAM" with the next English Mail.

ADAM LIND, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 29th March, 1878.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship "NIZAM" will leave for the above place about 24 hours after her arrival with the next English Mail.

ADAM LIND, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 29th March, 1878.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND HIOGO.

THE Steamship "OXFORDSHIRE" will leave on or about the 1st proximo.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

TURNER & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1878. [1w514

FOR SHANGHAI AND TIENTSIN.

THE German Steamship "OLYMPIA," Nagel, Master, shortly expected, will have quick despatch as above.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

WM. PUSTAU & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 27th March, 1878. [518

FOR YOKOHAMA AND HIOGO.

THE British Steamship "AFGHAN," Hunt, Master, shortly expected, will have quick despatch.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

WM. PUSTAU & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 25th March, 1878. [508

FOR LONDON.

THE A1 British Bark "FALCON," David Barry, Master, will load here and have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, 9th February, 1878. [tf298

FOR VICTORIA (VANCOUVER'S ISLAND).

THE A1 American Bark "QUICKSTEP," Barnaby, Master, will load for the above Port and have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, 25th March, 1878. [512

FOR PORTLAND (OREGON).

THE A1 American Ship "WILDWOOD," Harriman, Master, will load for the above Port and have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, 25th March, 1878. [513

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE A1 American Ship "CHARGER," will load here for the above Port and have quick despatch.

For Freight apply to

RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, 2nd March, 1878. [405

FOR CALLAO AND VALPARAISO.

THE A1 French Barque "MARIE CHARLOTTE," Captain Méhouas, having the greater part of her Cargo engaged, will have quick despatch for the above Ports.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

CARLOWITZ & Co.

Hongkong, 20th March, 1878. [482

FOR PORTLAND (OREGON).

THE A1 American Ship "FREEMAN CLARK," Dwight, Master, will load for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 25th March, 1878. [505

FOR PORTLAND (OREGON).

THE A1 American Ship "ANNIE M. SMULL," Packer, Master, will load for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Hongkong, 2nd March, 1878. [400

VESSELS ON THE BERTH.

FOR LONDON.

THE A1 American Ship "ALICE M. MINOTT," Whitmore, Master, will have quick despatch for the above Port.

For Freight, apply to

VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Hongkong, 9th February, 1878. [299

FOR PORTLAND (OREGON).

THE A1 British Ship "CITY OF HALIFAX," Evans, Master, will load for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to

VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Hongkong, 31st January, 1878. [245

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE A1 American Bark "B. F. WATSON," Hawkins, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have immediate despatch.

For Freight, apply to

VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Hongkong, 30th January, 1878. [237

FOR NEW YORK.

THE A1 German Ship "WEGA," Jachens, Master, will load here as above.

For Freight, apply to

VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Hongkong, 25th March, 1878. [504

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, ISMALIA, PORT SAID, NAPLES, AND MARSEILLES; ALSO, PONDICHERRY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, AND BOMBAY.

ON THURSDAY, the 4th April, 1878, at Noon, the Company's Steamship "ANADYR," Commandant MOREAU, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for the above places.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 P.M., Specie and Parcels until 3 P.M. on the 3rd April, 1878. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.) Contents and value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

H. DU POUEY, Agent.

Hongkong, 23rd March, 1878.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, POINT DE GALLE, ADEN, SUEZ, MALTA, BRINDISI, ANCONA, VENICE, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, SOUTHAMPTON, AND LONDON; ALSO, BOMBAY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA, AND AUSTRALIA.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship "GEELONG," Captain C. FRASER, will leave this on THURSDAY, the 11th April, at Noon.

For further Particulars, apply to

ADAM LIND, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 29th March, 1878.

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE, IN CONNECTION WITH THE CENTRAL AND UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING RAILROAD COMPANIES AND ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE Steamship "GAELIC" will be despatched for San Francisco, *via* Yokohama, on THURSDAY, the 11th April, at 3 P.M., taking Cargo and Passengers for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Connection is made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. on the 10th April. PARCEL PACKAGES will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day. All Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

A REDUCTION is made on RETURN PASSAGE TICKETS.

SPECIAL REDUCTIONS granted to OFFICERS of the ARMY and NAVY and to MEMBERS of the CIVIL and CONSULAR SERVICES.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 37, Queen's Road Central.

G. B. EMORY, Agent.

Hongkong, 27th March, 1878.

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING AT YOKOHAMA AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U.S. Mail Steamer "CHINA" will be despatched for San Francisco, *viâ* Yokohama, on , at Noon, taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, *viâ* Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

A REDUCTION of TWENTY PER CENT. on REGULAR RATES is GRANTED to OFFICERS of the ARMY and NAVY and MEMBERS of the CIVIL and CONSULAR SERVICES in commission.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. on the . Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland Cargo should be sent to the Company's Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 9, Praya Central.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 30th March, 1878.

YEE SUNG & Co., COAL MERCHANTS.

Have always on hand LARGE STOCKS of every description of COAL.

Address, care of HOO-TY-LOONG & Co., No. 43, Praya, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 9th May, 1877. [749

THE Undersigned have been appointed Sole Agents for the Sale of their Goods in Hongkong and China by Messrs. J. & R. TENNENT, Glasgow, and Messrs. DAVID CORSAR & SONS, Arbroath.

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

Hongkong, January, 1867. [16

YARROW'S SMALL STEAMERS, YACHTS, AND LAUNCHES, WOOD, IRON, OR STEEL.

Screw Steamers having speed up to 20 miles an hour.

Paddle Steamers having draughts down to 6 inches of water.

MACHINERY CONSTRUCTED FOR BOATS BUILT ABROAD.

YARROW AND CO. (late YARROW & HEDLEY), ENGINEERS AND SHIPBUILDERS, ISLE OF DOGS, POPLAR, LONDON.

Prospectuses may be obtained at the Office of this Journal. [A26i 601 May 26th.

POST-OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

A MAIL WILL CLOSE

For Swatow.—To-day, the 30th instant, at 8.30 A.M.

For Port Darwin.—Per *Charlton*, to-day, the 30th instant, at 1.30 P.M.

For Amoy.—Per *Esmeralda*, to-day, the 30th instant, at 3.30 P.M.

For Manila.—Per *Mactan*, to-day, the 30th instant, at 3.30 P.M.

For Swatow, Amoy, and Foochow.—Per *Yesso*, to-day, the 30th instant, at 5 P.M.

For Hoihow and Haiphong (with Mails for Pakhoi and Hanoi).—To-day, the 30th instant, at 5 P.M.

For Saigon.—On Monday, the 1st proximo, at 9 A.M.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.

The French Contract Packet "ANADYR" will be despatched from Hongkong on THURSDAY, the 4th April, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe, *via* Marseilles; to Saigon, Singapore, Batavia, Galle, Pondicherry, Madras, Calcutta, Bombay, Aden, Suez, and Alexandria.

The following will be the hours of CLOSING the Mails, &c.:—

WEDNESDAY, 3rd April,

5 P.M., Money Order Office closes. Post Office closes except the NIGHT BOX, which remains open all night.

THURSDAY, 4th April,

7 A.M., Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.

10 A.M., Registry of Letters ceases.

11 A.M., Post Office closes except for Late Letters.

11.10 A.M., Letters (but Letters only) may be posted on payment of a Late Fee of 18 cents extra postage, until

11.30 A.M., when the Post Office CLOSES entirely.

MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET.

The English Contract Packet "GEELONG" will be despatched with the Mails for Europe, &c., on THURSDAY, the 11th April.

The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c.:—

WEDNESDAY, 10th April,

5 P.M., Money Order Office closes.

6 P.M., Post Office closes except the NIGHT BOX, which remains open all night.

THURSDAY, 11th April,

7 A.M., Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.

10 A.M., Post Office closes except for Late Letters. Registry of Letters ceases.

10.15 A.M., Letters may be posted on payment of a Late Fee of 18 cents extra Postage, until.

11 A.M., when the Post Office CLOSES entirely.

11.30 A.M., Letters (but Letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom *viâ Brindisi*, or to Singapore, may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 48 cents extra postage, until

11.50 A.M., when the Mail is finally closed.

REGISTRATION TO BANGKOK.

Her Britannic Majesty's Consul for Siam has been good enough to make arrangements by means of which correspondence can be Registered to Bangkok, at the usual charge of 8 cents.

COMMUNICATION WITH BATAVIA.

The Netherlands India Packets leave Singapore fortnightly, and are fitted to the arrival of the outward P. & O. Mail from Europe.

The French Packets for Batavia wait at Singapore for the Packet from China, and run fortnightly.

It follows that, to forward Correspondence to Batavia with the least delay, the following are the best opportunities:—

In the S.W. Monsoon,
The English Mail.
The French Mail.

In the N.E. Monsoon,
A Private Steamer a few days before the English Mail.
The French Mail.

SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' LETTERS.

Privates in H.M. Army or Navy, Non-commissioned Officers (but not Warrant Officers, viz., Assistant Engineer, Gunner, Boatswain, or Carpenter), Army Schoolmasters (not Superintending or First Class) or Schoolmistresses may send half-ounce letters to the United Kingdom *viâ* Southampton by British Packet for one penny; or *viâ* Brindisi by British Packet for three-pence. Hongkong stamps will prepay this class of correspondence exactly the same as Imperial Stamps.

Soldiers' and Sailors' letters are, however, charged as ordinary letters if they do not conform to the following regulations:—

1.—Not to exceed half an ounce. No double letters are allowed.

2.—If from a Soldier or Sailor, his class or description must be stated in full on the letter, and the Commanding Officer must sign his name, with name of Regiment, or Ship, &c., in full.

3.—If to a Soldier or Sailor, his class or description must be stated in full, with name of Regiment, or Ship, &c., in full.

Many boxes of letters are received at the Post Office not sealed, that is to say, the box if fastened with sealing wax, but there is no impression of a *seal*.

The attention of boxholders is called to the necessity of carefully sealing such boxes with some recognisable seal, and of sending a chit-book or receipt with them. The omission of the latter precaution leaves a doubt as to whether the contents of the box ever reached the Post Office; the omission of the former, as to whether part of them might not have been abstracted for the sake of the Postage Stamps.

To provide means of remitting small sums of money to or from this Colony and between the Ports of China and Japan, the Postmasters and Agents of this Office will in future be allowed (but not required) to purchase Hongkong Postage Stamps from foreign residents.

Between Hongkong and Shanghai, or Hongkong and Yokohama, however in either direction, Money-Orders must be used.

The Stamps tendered for sale must not exceed $25 in value, must be perfectly clean, in good condition, and in strips of at least two, as go separate Stamps will be purchased. They must be presented personally or accompanied by a note.

Letters containing Stamps should be registered, and the Stamps should be secured from observation.

The Postmaster or Agent may postpone purchasing if the public funds in hand are not sufficient, and he will refuse to purchase in any case which appears doubtful or suspicious. He is allowed to charge a Commission of one per cent. on all Stamps purchased.

Most countries to which Hongkong forwards Correspondence having joined the General Postal Union or being probably about to do so, it is necessary that the following rules be strictly observed.

1.—No Letter or Packet, whether to be registered or unregistered, can be received for Postage if it contains gold or silver money, jewels, precious articles, or anything that, as a general rule, is liable to Customs duties.

2.—This Regulation prohibits the sending of Patterns of dutiable articles, unless the quantity sent be so small as to make the sample of no value.

3.—The limits of weight allowed are as follows:—

BOOKS AND PAPERS.—To British Offices, 5lb.
PATTERNS.—5lb., if without intrinsic value.
BOOKS AND PAPERS.—To the Continent, &c., 2lb.
PATTERNS.—8 oz.

4.—The following articles cannot be sent by Post at all:—Glass, Liquids, Gunpowder, Matches, Candles, Soap, Indigo, Dye-stuffs, or whatever is dangerous to the Mails or offensive or injurious to persons dealing with them.

PARCELS.

The public is reminded that, in China and Japan, there is no such thing as Parcel Post. Much trouble and disappointment is caused by persistent attempts to send small valuable trifles through the Post. Fans, Curios, Articles of Dress, Fancy Work, and similar presents are continually being refused, the senders having often spent more in Postage than would have paid the freight by steamer. No refund can be made on such parcels of the value of Stamps obliterated before the nature of the contents are discovered.

PATTERNS.

Some difficulty is experienced in obtaining a general understanding of *what is a Pattern*. It is a *bona fide* sample of goods which the sender has for sale, or of goods which he wishes to order. It is to consist of the smallest possible quantity compatible with showing what the goods are, and must have no intrinsic value.

EXTRACTS.

THE DEMON KITTENS.

I've two pretty little kittens, one is brown and one is grey,
You should see the comic antics that the little demons play;
You would roll about with laughter, and I fancy shed a tear,
If you watched them play at leapfrog on my crowded chiffonier.

All the China does a tremble—it anticipates its doom
When those kittens do a scamper round and round my dining room,
You can almost hear the sideboard give a moan and cry "Alas!"
When the leader goes a cropper and brings down a row of glass.

Then to see them climb the curtains is enough to kill a saint;
Little rips they are, for certain—those they manufacture ain't,
For the lace is all in tatters, and they poke their little heads
Through the hangings at the window, which their claws reduce to shreds.

When the poet's pains are on me, and my brain is on the rack,
They've a habit of alighting with a jump upon my back.
Playing tricks with pen and paper is a thing at which I wink,
But they might abstain from fishing with their fore-paws in the ink.

They have pulled out all the stuffing from my best morocco suite,
All my carpets have been ruined by their scratching little feet;
But I do not mind the damage, though it grieves my better half,
For the world has made me wretched, and my kittens make me laugh.
—*Fun.*

TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

For the British Lion, Punch proclaims
His faith in Forster, Harcourt, and James,
And gives his adhesion to what they say
On the burning question of the day;
That is, what he's ready to fight for, and what
He gives notice to all he's decidedly not.

A BAKER IN THE HOT OF IT.

The Constantinople correspondent of a daily paper says, in a recent letter, that Baker Pacha "has, as usual, been put to rough work." In this case his rough work was the covering of Shakir Pacha's retreat from Kamarli. Baker Pacha, covering Shakir Pacha's strategetic movement to the rear, was, no doubt, a case of the right man in the right place. But it is only fair to Turkey to say that a Shaker is an exception among her generals. Traitor Pachas she may have had, and Bungler Pachas in plenty, but Shaker and Quaker Pachas have not yet been seen in the Sultan's uniform. Still, when one does turn up, that Baker Pacha should have to cover his retreat seems hard on that distinguished ex-Colonel of English Hussars.

TREATMENT OF CONVULSIONS.

This is an affection which occurs most frequently in infancy and childhood, and is characterised by muscular twitchings or spasms, painful distortion of the features, and squinting. At this period of life, convulsions are generally due to sympathetic irritation of the brain from teething derangement of the stomach and bowels, and worms. When due to the first two causes, the most efficient remedies are the warm bath, and either a teaspoonful of castor oil or from one to two grains of calomel, according to age. A stripe of mustard poultice may also be placed along the whole spine, and in very severe cases the inhalation of chloroform is most useful; but this should not be given except under medical advice. If worms are suspected, they must be got rid of by suitable treatment. Convulsions may also occur as a symptom of certain diseases—as, for example, inflammation of the brain or its membranes, &c.; they also result from poisons, as strychnia, &c.; from injuries of the head, and from the bites of rabid animals; lastly, convulsions, more or less painful to witness, generally mark the final struggle.—*From "Cassell's Domestic Dictionary."*

RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION.

Jenny was pleased to find when she got to the cabstand that both her father and Mr. Stone were there; it was always a satisfaction to her to see them take their tea while it was fresh.

She stood close up against her father during his comfortless meal, absently watching the passers-by. Presently he said kindly, "D'ye feel a bit stronger to-day, Jenny, my lass? You're as still as a mouse here."

"I dessay I'm gettin' better, dad," she said. "But I was quiet 'cos I was thinkin' about somethin'."

"Let's hear it Jenny," said he.

"I want ye to tell me who's Jesus, dad."

"*Jesus!*" he repeated, with something of awe in his tone. "Here, look at me, Jenny! ye ain't a-goin' to fly off too, are ye?"

"Off where, father?"

"Why, off after the babby and the rest of 'em. I don't like bits o' girls of your age, as ought to be lively, axing solemn questions like that."

"Well, ye know, dad," responded Jenny, quietly, "there was a little ill girl in the Hospital, and she said as how Baby Nell 'ud go and be happy with Jesus; and I jest want to know who is He, and where do He live?"

"Why, bless the child! I don't know nothin' more about Him nor this, that He's called the saviour, ye know, and lives up in Heaven."

"And where is Heaven, dad?"

"Why, bless the girl, it's up in the sky somewheres; but I really don't know nothin' about it."

Jenny looked up into the twilight sky, where the stars were peeping out one by one. She gazed eagerly for a full minute, but there was nothing but the same old sky that she had looked up at many and many a time before.

"Oh, father," she said at length with a low, passionate sort of cry, "there ain't nothin' up there but jest the bits o' stars as is allays there; there can't be nobody up there with no place to live in. Oh, I wish I know'd."

"What's that?" asked Mr. Stone, who had finished his tea, and was now taking a mild "constitutional" up and down. He caught Jenny's last words as he approached.

"The child's weak and queer yet," said her father, "and she's bent upon strange things, through frettin' I pose."

"What is it ye want to know so bad, Jenny?" asked Mr. Stone, kindly.

He had not attempted to joke with her since her trouble came, and he had spoken to her almost tenderly since she had looked so weak and wan.

"It's jest about Jesus," answered Jenny, eagerly; "I wants to know who He is, and where He lives, please."

"Oh, well, then, I'll tell you what ye'll do, Jenny: you go straight off to my missis, and she'll tell ye more'n ye want to know. She knows the whole thing, Jenny; she's one of the religiousest women as ever was, and knows all the Bible through, nearly. Why, bless me! I ought to ha' bin a saint afore now, and see the lectures she's gev me; but I don't care a snap for her religion! D'ye know," he added in a low tone to Jenny's father, "it's about the uncomfortablest thing in the world."

"Ah?" responded he, in a tone of interrogation. "Well, now, my first wife had it; but I never thought it were that uncomfortable."

"It must ha' bin a different sort to my missis', then," said Mr. Stone. At that moment he darted off to his cab, seeing a fare by it.

"Now, Jenny, go off home," said her father, "and get to bed early. Never mind about anything till you gets stronger."

"But I'll go to Mrs. Stone's first, eh, dad?"

"Well, if you like; but don't be hangin' about the streets now."—*A Candle Lighted by the Lord.*

TRAVELLING AND FILIBUSTERING IN AFRICA.

Livingstone's comparatively small band of determined Caffres, placed at his disposal by a chief whose confidence he had gained, enabled him to cross the continent in the latitude of the Zambesi. Subsequently other travellers, like Burton, Speke, Grant, and Cameron, starting from Zanzibar, have adopted a similar plan. Their forces were large enough to enable them to pass as they pleased through regions where the tribes were small, they were sufficiently powerful to make larger tribes fear to attack them, and as they invariably adopted a conciliatory policy with the latter, they never came into serious collision with the natives. Mr. Stanley has adopted the plan of travelling with an armed retinue on a much larger scale than any of those whom we have named, and he has certainly carried by those means, a great expedition successfully through Africa. Thus he states, "I led 2,280 men across hostile Unyoro," on an expedition intended to cross the Albert Nyanza. Again, when he leaves Nyangwe on his final expedition down the Lualaba, he starts with a body of 500 fighting men. Thus with a larger military force than hitherto employed, and making a determined use of it, Mr. Stanley has conducted a geographical raid across the middle of Africa, which has led him into scenes of bloodshed and slaughter, beginning at the Victoria Nyanza, and not ending until he arrived in the neighbourhood of the Western Coast. This achievement undoubtedly places Mr. Stanley in the foremost rank of African discoverers, and ensures to him a hardly-earned and lasting fame. The question will no doubt be hotly discussed how far a private individual, travelling as a newspaper correspondent, has a right to assume such a warlike attitude, and to force his way through native tribes regardless of their rights, whatever those may be. A man who does so acts in defiance of the laws that are supposed to bind private individuals. He assumes sovereign privileges and punishes with death the natives who oppose his way. He voluntarily puts himself into a position from which there is no escape, escapt by battle and bloodshed; and it is a question which we shall not argue here, whether such conduct does not come under the head of filibustering.—*From the "Edinburgh Review."*

A TRYING IMPUTATION.

About three years ago we were startled in Ireland by the reappearance of this typical veteran of the Emancipation and Repeal times. For a quarter of a century no one had or heard of him; when lo! his tall, soldierly figure, broad-shouldered and erect as an uplifted lance—with snow white hair copiously flowing over his shoulders—appeared like a vision in our midst, at the Home Rule Conference of 1873. On that occasion he was one of a dozen guests dining with a leading Home Rule member of Parliament; two Catholic clergymen being of the number. Our conversation turned on those strange times when a man was liable any day to be called to meet death for some fancied ground of challenge in a political speech; and especially the number of occasions on which our friend Colonel the O'Gorman Mahon had to face such an ordeal. To do him justice he himself was rigidly reticent; seemed not to relish these references to his duelling experiences at all. One of the clergymen thought the colonel's feelings might have been wounded by our strong censures of duelling, and he proceeded to soothe matters a little:—"I can well understand, however, said he, "how, in a time when society enforced such a shocking code, a man might feel, as it were, compelled—left no choice, when subjected to a challenge. Refusal meant disgrace, social ostracism. In fact, the blame attaching to a man who, not sending, but receiving a challenge, went out under this sense of compulsion, was, to say the least——" The colonel could stand this no longer. "Gentlemen," said he, rising to his feet, "I feel bound to declare on my honour as a gentleman that though, unfortunately as I may say, I have been many times a principal in a hostile meeting, never once did I receive a challenge. I always was the challenger!" A roar of laughter at the discomfiture of the reverend friend, who was, as he thought, suggesting a charitable exculpation of the colonel, hailed the resentful disclaimer of the old campaigner.—*New Ireland. By A. M. Sullivan.*

A BREACH OF BOARDING-SCHOOL ETIQUETTE.

The Paris streets looked very bright on that sunny morning. Omnibuses were plying, voitres were rolling; the English and the German governesses, with pupils walked along soberly, seriously; eyes lowered was the strict rule, but bright glances wandered in spite of the rule; and thus it happened that Gertrude Calverly saw on the opposite side of the street—where the houses looked asleep, for all the sun shutters were closed—a tall, dark young man whom she had met before. It was a fact that Furnival looked much more to advantage, swinging along the street, than trying to put on fashionable airs in a ball-room. This man was a gentleman, if he was nothing else, though one of the unpolished sort, perhaps; and there was nothing remarkable in his light grey suit, broad felt hat, or well-made boots to distinguish him from other Englishmen, who are cleanly, active, and upright—the qualities for a footman. But the assertion of Adrienne de Coralac, that Furnival looked like a footman out of place was utterly false. Awkward and high-shouldered he seemed in a ball-room; stalwart, square, strong, he looked in street. Gertrude Calverly saw him. He saw Gertrude Calverly. He raised his hat, and a slight flush tinged his face. Gertrude returned the salute with a scarcely perceptible nod. Fraulein Biendoff's face grew purple; she rushed up to Gertrude, brandishing her parasol. "Arretez." Directly the file of two and two stopped. Fraulein clutched the shoulder of Gertrude.

"It was you; I saw it. Oh, deny it not—so."

The contempt conveyed by the Fraulein's "so" is untranslatable, bitter, unmitigated.

"Fraulein, it is a gentleman I danced with at the Count's ball."

Fraulein was excited—exasperated. The sight of a man bowing in the street to one of the pupils took her breath away; made her heart beat to suffocation; sent the angry blood to her face; confused her senses.

"Deny it not—so," Fraulein repeated.

It seemed that she had nothing else to say.

"I deny it not, Fraulain."

"And you stand there with modest young girls—you?"

"Yes, but I and the modest young girls wish you would let us walk on."

A quiet humour twinkled in Gertrude's eyes.

"It's not thought wrong in England, Fraulein," said Mary Blackburn, "for a gentleman to bow to a lady in the street."

"It is," cried Georgette, haughtily, "lady should bow first. That man was ill-bred to salute my cousin."

"It was my fault," said Gertrude. "I looked up and smiled, or he would not have raised his hat."

"Hear her—hear her—hear her," panted forth the German.

"Fraulein," said Miss Hooper, calmly, "pray let us proceed. There seems to be a fault with Miss Calverly, but she confesses it. After all, it is a mere infringement of the rules; inadvertent, I am sure, for Miss Calverly is incapable of an unlady-like action."

"Thank you, Miss Hooper," said Gertrude, with a pleasant smile; "only notions may differ about what is lady [illegible]. I never transgress my own code."

"Now we will walk on," said Miss Hooper.

But Miss Hooper, despite her sense and her years, was not a person of authority in the school. Fraulein waved a command to stay, and the pupils stood, stared, smiled. Gertrude was the calmest of them all. It is easy to be calm when one is pleased; and Gertrude, for some subtle reason, was very well pleased.

"It is worse than I ever heard of," said Fraulein.

"How innocent you must be, Fraulein, of the silly ways of this topsey-turvey world, if a girl smiling at a gentleman, whom she has met and talked to, is the worst thing you ever heard of."

"I will speak to Madame; I will tell Madame all."

So after this the pupils marched on, and soon took their places in a pew in the English church.—*Four School-fellows. A Novel. By the Author of "Little Miss Fairfax."*

A CAMP ANECDOTE.

A young English doctor who had only been in Turkey a few weeks, was kept awake for several hours at Yenikoi by a sentry with a bad cough. He determined at last to get up and give the man a draught. The sentry, although somewhat astonished, drank the mixture which the "Inglis hekim" gave him; but the next morning the doctor received a visit from the officer of the guard, who somewhat roughly asked him why he had insulted one of his men. The surgeon replied in such bad Turkish that the officer could not refrain from smiling. "You should not attempt to speak Turkish at present," he said, "for last night you asked my man if he had a bolster, and then told him to pitch into himself." "But," observed the doctor, looking very foolish, "surely the sentry understood I wanted to cure his cough!" "Cough! Yes—yes! Very good! But then the sentry who had the cough was relieved from duty a few minutes before. You dosed the wrong man!"

MR. RUSKIN AND "PRECISE DANCING."

Mr. Ruskin has made a great discovery, and he discloses it to the readers of *Fors*. He has found out that music and "precise dancing" are, after all, the only safeguards of morality. All the young hopefuls trained under the auspices of the St. George's Society are in consequence to be drilled from early infancy in these accomplishments, and Mr. Ruskin has no doubt about results. But did he read the evidence in the detective case, where the convict Benson said, "I am an accomplished musician. I am both a composer and a performer?" That is only one of an infinite number of similar nuts which it will tax all Mr. Ruskin's ingenuity to crack. As to the "precise dancing" which is to share with its sister art in this glorious reformation, I know a lady-friend and admirer of Mr. Ruskin's who allowed two young and pretty servants to go out to nightly dancing-classes, much to the Professor's delight. The result has never yet been broken to him. The maids one day were missing—so were their mistress's jewels. But then, as Mr. Ruskin might object, perhaps they did not dance "precisely."—*World.*

MR. FROUDE AND THE EASTERN QUESTION.

With regard to the Eastern question, while not in every respect pro-Russian, Mr. Froude is decidedly anti-Turkish. It is not a little remarkable at the present day to turn to an article written by the historian in the *Westminster Review*, so long ago as January, 1855, on the subject of "Austria in the Principalities." . . . Dealing with the Crimean war, and the position of Austria, Russia, and England, Mr. Froude observed: "To humble Russia, and reduce its ambition within such proportions as are compatible with the balance of power and the freedom of Europe, is no doubt the great aim of the war. But it would be dearly purchased by the aggrandisement of Austria, or by finally trusting to Austria to guarantee the independence of the south-east of Europe. That independence can only be obtained by the establishment of the countries and the races which are now unfortunately so divided and intermingled that to render them a compact State is a problem difficult to be solved. To make them over to absolute power, and to either an old or a new master, would merely adjourn the question. The Turkish sway in Europe cannot be eternal. Whatever, therefore, is done, let at least the seeds be sown over these countries self-sufficing to their existence, their tranquillity, and their government; Rouman, Serb, and Greek people these regions, and the great characteristic of each is not to tolerate the domination of the other. . . . A federation is impossible in these regions. But independent States must first be formed as the elements of the future federation. The two Rouman principalities are well fitted to form or to furnish two great foundations, and Servia is already constituted as a third; but Austrian prejudice and tyranny will be even more opposed to such a scheme than Russian ambition. France, we fear, would be indifferent in the matter. All, therefore, depends upon English statesmen, and upon the force and determination with which they urge a free and liberal settlement; not because it is liberal, but because such alone can have permanence and force."—*From Cassell's National Portrait Gallery.*

FIGHT WITH A BOA CONSTRICTOR.

A remarkable encounter between a dog and a boa constrictor, which took place recently at the residence of Captain Murray, at Sunghie Ujeng, in the Straits Settlements, is described in the *Colonies and India*. The reptile, which measured about fifteen feet in length, had been kept in a cage for a Chinese doctor, who wished to use his gall as medicine. When the boa was handed out of the cage to be killed, a bulldog, belonging to Captain Murray, which had previously manifested a desire to get at the snake, at once attacked it; and, though the boa remained quiet at first, making only an occasional snap, the two animals were soon engaged in deadly conflict. The dog, getting bold with impunity, at last seized the snake by the head; in an instant the boa started up, and, with marvellous rapidity, seized the dog by the upper lip, and held on firmly, while the dog endeavoured to drag himself away. Then, with a certain deliberation, though very rapidly, the snake, entwined his body two or three times round the dog, embracing him in an ever-tightening grasp, till only his head could be seen. The bystanders, who had endeavoured to separate the combatants, were obliged to take active steps to save the poor dog's life; but before choppers could be procured, blood was gushing from its mouth, and its bones had been heard to crack under the vice-like folds of its enemy. The boa was literally chopped to pieces before the dog could be released, a task which, at last, was completed. An examination of the jaws of the snake showed that they were armed with strong, sharp, recurved teeth, and that the palatal bones were similarly furnished with the same weapons; so that, when the dog was seized in the snake's mouth, it was impossible for it to escape, its struggles only transfixing it the more firmly. Boas and pythons, and other non-venomous snakes, generally capture their prey by darting forward and encircling it with two or three coils of its body, before touching it with the mouth; and the statement of the correspondent who supplies the above narrative, that the boa seized the dog by the teeth first, is a novel fact in the habits of these reptiles when irritated by an active enemy.

HONGKONG MARKETS.

As Reported by Chinese on the 20th March, 1878.

COTTON GOODS.

American Drills, 30 yards, per piece	$2.65 to 2.70
American Drills, 15lbs., per piece	$3.50 to 3.60
Cotton Yarn, No. 16 to 24, per 400 lbs.	$94.00 to 101.00
Cotton Yarn, No. 28 to 32, per 400 lbs.	$98.50 to 105.00
Cotton Yarn, No. 38 to 42, per 400 lbs.	$111.00 to 115.00
Cotton Yarn, Bombay	$82.00 to 84.00
Chintz, per piece	$1.70 to 1.75
Dyed Spotted Shirtings, per piece	$3.60 to 3.85
Dyed Brocades Shirtings, per piece	$3.55 to 3.70
Dyed Damask Shirtings, per piece	$5.50 to 5.65
English Drills, 30 yards, per piece	$2.10 to 2.15
English Drills, 14 lbs., per piece	$2.30 to 2.40
English Drills, 15 lbs., per piece	$2.50 to 2.60
Grey Shirtings, 7 lbs., per piece	$1.45 to 1.70
Grey Shirtings, 8 lbs., per piece	$1.65 to 1.70
Grey Shirtings, 8½ lbs., per piece	$1.75 to 2.45
Grey Shirtings, 9 lbs., per piece	$2.55 to 2.58
Grey Shirtings, 10 lbs., per piece	$2.70 to 3.15
GreyT-Cloths, 24yds. &32in. 6lbs. p. pe.	$1.15 to 1.30
GreyT-Cloths, 24yds. &32in. 7lbs. p. pe.	$1.40 to 1.80
GreyT-Cloths, 24yds36in8lbs. XO p. pe.	$1.90 to 1.95
GreyT-Cloths, 24yds36in8lbs. QL p. pe.	$1.85 to 1.90
GreyT-Cloths, 24yds36in8lbs. XX p. pe.	$2.50 to 2.55
Handkerchiefs, Blue, per dozen	$0.60 to 0.65
Handkerchiefs, Brown, per dozen	$0.55 to 0.65
Handkerchiefs, Red, per dozen	$0.72 to 0.75
Handkerchiefs, Light Red, per dozen	$0.76 to 0.77
Muslins White, Plain, 12 yds., per piece	$1.15 to 1.25
Muslins, White, Figured, 24yds. p. piece	$2.05 to 2.25
Turkey Red Shirtings, 3 lbs., per piece	$2.30 to 2.35
Velvet Black, 32 inches, per yard	$0.18 to 0.19
Velvet, Gentian, 22 inches per yard	$0.21 to 0.22
Velveteens, Black, per yard	$0.21 to 0.22
Velveteens, Gentian, per yard	$0.28 to 0.29
White Shirtings, 54 to 60 reed, per piece	$1.95 to 2.10
White Shirtings, 64 to 66 reed, per piece	$2.25 to 2.40
White Shirtings, 68 to 80 reed, per piece	$2.60 to 3.15
White Shirtings, 600 reed, per piece	$3.50 to 3.35
White Shirtings, 7,000 reed, per piece	$3.25 to 3.30
White Shirtings, AA, per piece	$1.65 to 1.70
White Shirtings, EF, per piece	$5.90 to 5.95
White Shirtings, MH, per piece	$4.25 to 4.30
White Shirtings, EI, per piece	$6.10 to 6.15
White Spotted Shirtings, per piece	$2.45 to 2.50
White Brocades, per piece	$2.50 to 2.65

WOOLLEN GOODS.

Blankets, 7 lbs., per pair	$2.70 to 3.00
Blankets, 8 lbs., per pair	$3.00 to 3.05
Blankets, 9 lbs., per pair	$4.40 to 4.50
Blankets, 10 lbs., per pair	$5.20 to 5.30
Blankets, 12 lbs., per pair	$6.10 to 6.20
Camlets, SSS, per piece	$15.80 to 16.00
Camlets, SS, per piece	$16.80 to 17.00
Camlets, S, per piece	$17.00 to 17.20
Camlets, BBB, per piece	$18.50 to 19.00
Camlets, AAA, per piece	$17.00 to 17.20
Camlets, LLL, per piece	$15.50 to 16.00
Long Ells, MM Scarlet, per piece	$8.75 to 8.80
Long Ells, MM Assorted, per piece	$8.75 to 8.80
Long Ells, HH Scarlet, per piece	$8.75 to 8.80
Long Ells, HH Assorted, per piece	$8.75 to 8.80
Long Ells, H Scarlet, per piece	$8.70 to 8.85
Long Ells, H Assorted, per piece	$8.65 to 8.75
Lastings, DD, per piece	$14.80 to 15.00
Spanish Stripes, per yard	$0.74 to 0.75

METALS.

Iron, Nail Road, per picul	$2.25 to 2.30
Iron, Hoop, per picul	$3.50 to 3.55
Iron, Bar, per picul	$2.60 to 2.75
Iron, Wire, per picul	$6.95 to 7.20
Lead, WB, per picul	$6.68 to 6.70
Lead, LB, per picul	$6.56 to 7.58
Lead, Hols Chop, per picul	$6.56 to 6.58
Quicksilver, English, per picul	$63.00 to 63.50
Quicksilver, American, per picul	$63.50 to 64.00
Steel, English, per tub	$3.80 to 3.75
Steel, Swedish, per tub	$4.20 to 4.45
Sheathing Metal, per picul	$32.00 to 29.50
Spelter, per picul	$7.45 to 7.05
Tin, Malacca, per picul	$19.60 to 19.80
Tin, Plates, per box	$5.45 to 5.50

PRODUCE.

Almonds, per picul	$24.50 to 25.00
Alum, 1st quality, per picul	$1.37 to 1.40
Alum, 2nd quality, per picul	$1.28 to 1.30
Bark, Siam, per picul	$0.83 to 1.10
Bark, Camphor, per picul	$15.20 to 15.40
Beche de Mer, per picul	$30.00 to 55.00
Bees Wax, Japan, White, per picul	$12.50 to 13.00
Bees Wax, Hankow, Yellow, per picul	$47.00 to 48.00
Bees Wax, White, per picul	$52.50 to 63.00
Birds' Nests, 1st quality, per picul	$2,200 to 4,000
Birds' Nests, 2nd quality, per picul	$650 to 550
Birds' Nests, 3rd quality, per picul	$170 to 250
Brimstone, per picul	$2.75 to 2.80
Buffalo Hides, Manila	$12.00 to 15.50
Buffalo Cow Hides	$9.90 to 8.05
Camphor, packed, per picul	$19.00 to 19.50
Camphor, Baroos, clean, per picul	$4,800 to 5,000
Camphor, Refuse, per picul	$2,300 to 3,200
Cardamons, Superior	$137 to 147
Cardamons, Inferior, per picul	$18.50 to 19.00
Cloves, per picul	$40.00 to 40.50
Coals, Afloat, per ton	— to —
Coals, English steam, per ton	$10.50 to 10.80
Coals, Sydney, per ton	$9.80 to —
Coffee, per picul	$22.20 to 24.50
Copper, Sheathing, Japan, per picul	$28.00 to 29.00
Copper, Rod, Japan, per picul	$23.70 to 24.00
Copper, Nails, per picul	$23.50 to 23.80
Cotton, Bombay, per picul	$14.80 to 15.60
Cotton, Calcutta, per picul	$15.80 to 16.50
Cotton, Ningpo, per picul	$17.20 to 18.20
Cotton, Shanghai, per picul	$16.80 to 17.00
Cotton, Shantung, per picul	$16.80 to 17.20
Cotton, Tientsin, per picul	$17.20 to 18.40
Cotton, Tungchow, per picul	$17.50 to 18.20
Cotton Seeds, Saigon	$5.40 to 5.80
Cotton Seeds, Siam	$4.90 to 5.20
Cuttlefish, Japan	$22.00 to 23.00
Cuttlefish, Japan, without bones, p. pl.	$15.50 to 16.50
Cuttlefish, Chauchow, per picul	$27.50 to 29.00
Dates, Black, per picul	Tls. 2.5.5 to 2.6.5
Dates, Red, per picul	Tls. 3.1.5 to 3.2.5
Dried Lily Flowers	$8.60 to 9.60
Elephant's Teeth, 4 to 5 pieces	$250 to 300
Elephant's Teeth, 7 to 8 pieces	$200 to 220
Flour, California, per sack of 50 lbs.	$1.40 to 1.60
Flour, American, per barrel of 100 lbs.	$3.50 to 3.60
Flour, American, per barrel of 200 lbs.	$6.95 to 7.20
Fungus	$38.50 to 39.00
Flints, per picul	$0.50 to 0.65
Ginseng, American, 1st quality, p. picul.	$200 to 285
Ginseng, American, 2nd quality, p. picul.	$160 to 210
Hams, Ordinary, per picul	Tls. 13.0.0 to 13.5.0
Hams, Superior, per picul	Tls. 21.0.0 to 21.5.0
Hemp, Hankow, per picul	$10.50 to 12.00
Hemp, Siam, per picul	$10.40 to 11.00
Isinglass, Japan, per picul	$38.00 to 45.00
Melon Seeds, 1st quality, per picul	$4.90 to 5.30
Melon Seeds, 2nd quality, per picul	$4.20 to 4.50
Mushrooms, per picul	$48.00 to 58.00
Mussels, Dry Siam large, per picul	$11.50 to 13.00
Mussels, Dry Siam middle, per picul	$8.85 to 9.35
Mussels, Dry Siam small, per picul	$7.95 to 8.35
Peas, White, per picul	$2.60 to 2.85
Peas, Green, per picul	$2.40 to 2.52
Peas, Black, per picul	$2.26 to 2.28
Peas, Yellow, per picul	$2.62 to 2.64
Peas, Green Beans, per picul	$2.64 to 2.66
Pearl Barley, per picul	$6.50 to 7.80
Potatoe Flour, per piculs	Tls. 1.6.0 to 1.6.5
Putchuck, per picul	$13.00 to 14.70
Rhinoceros Horn, per picul	[illegible]
Rhinoceros Horn, Mother, per picul	$2,000 to 2,400
Rice, Siam, No. 1, per picul	$2.06 to 2.68
Rice, Siam, No. 2, per picul	$2.02 to 2.64
Rice, Siam, milled No. 1, per picul	$2.64 to 2.66
Rice, Siam, milled No. 2, per picul	$2.64 to 2.56
Rice, Saigon, No. 1, per picul	$2.52 to 2.54
Rice, Saigon, Hemp bags	$2.69 to 2.71
Rice, Saigon, Straw bags	$3.44 to 2.40
Rice, Japan	$3.63 to 2.65
Saltpetre, per picul	$0.55 to 0.00
Seaweed, Green, per picul	$2.00 to 3.05
Seaweed, Cut, per picul	$4.45 to 4.65
Sessamum, White, per picul	$6.35 to 6.76
Sessamum, Black, per picul	Tls. 3.3.5 to 3.3.8
Sharkefins, per picul	$35.00 to 60.00
Shellfish, Japan, per picul	$27.00 to 30.00
Shellfish, California, per picul	$8.50 to 9.00
Stockfish, per picul	$5.00 to 6.50
Straits Produce, &c.,—	
Betel Nut, per picul	$4.25 to 4.35
Pepper, White, per picul	$13.80 to 14.20
Pepper, Black, per picul	$7.25 to 7.85
Rattan, Straits, per picul	$5.20 to 5.50
Rattans, Bangar, per picul	$4.35 to 4.65
Sandal Wood, Malabar, per picul	$3.30 to 3.35
Santal Wood, South Seas, per picul	$13.00 to 13.50
Sapan Wood, Manila, per picul	$1.00 to 2.00
Sapan Wood, Siam, per picul	$2.25 to 2.60
Pea Oil, per picul	Tls. 6.7.5 to 6.8.0
Sugar, Shek-lung, White, No. 1, p. pcl.	$6.70 to 6.80
Sugar, Shek-lung, White, No. 2, p. pcl.	$6.10 to 6.30
Sugar, Shek-lung, Brown, per picul	$3.90 to 4.05
Sugar Candy, Shek-lung, per picul	$9.55 to 9.85
Sugar Candy, Foochow, per picul	$9.80 to 10.20
Sugar Candy, Swatow, White, per picul.	$6.85 to 7.16
Tea Oil, per picul	$9.00 to 9.20
Vermicelli, Tientsin, per picul	$8.60 to 9.50
Walnuts, per picul	$5.25 to 5.30
Wheat, Tientsin, per picul	$1.80 to 1.90
Wheat, California, per picul	$2.00 to 2.15
Wood Oil, per picul	Tls. 6.7.5 to 6.8.0
Window Glass, per box	$2.55 to 2.65

SHIPPING IN THE CHINA WATERS.

HONGKONG.

STEAMERS.

Vessels.	Date of Arrival.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Consignees.	Destination.
Atholl	Mar. 26	Thomson	Brit. str	922	Jardine, Matheson & Co	
Atalanta	Mar. 29	Petersen	Ger. str	783	Siemssen & Co	
Benledi	Mar. 28	Buchanan	Brit. str	999	Captain	
Bombay	Feb. 13	Green	Brit. str	749	Kwok Acheong	Repairing
Caldera	Mar. 25	Williams	Brit. str	1303	Jardine, Matheson & Co	
Camoes	Oct. 2	—	Brit. str	95	Kwok Acheong	
Conquest	Mar. 26	Scott	Brit. str	317	Kwong-lee-yuen	Haihpong
Cyphrenes	Mar. 26	Thos. Wood	Brit. str	1286	Gibb, Livingston & Co	Saigon
Esmeralda	Mar. 29	Cullen	Brit. str	395	Russell & Co	Amoy
Fat-choy	—	Holland	Brit. str	153	G. McBain	
Gaelic	Mar. 29	Kidley	Brit. str	1712	O. & O. S. S. Co	Y'hama, &c.
Gleneagles	Mar. 26	Macbain	Brit. str	1837	Jardine, Matheson & Co	Shanghai
Glenorchy	Mar. 22	Hogg	Brit. str	1775	Jardine, Matheson & Co	
Glenfalloch	Mar. 27	Taylor	Brit. str	1386	Jardine, Matheson & Co	
Hailoong	Feb. 17	Abbott	Brit. str	277	D. Lapraik & Co	Repairing
H. Adalsten	Mar. 28	Bergh	Nor. str	905	Arnhold, Karberg & Co	Saigon
Hesperia	Mar. 22	Paulsen	Ger. str	1160	Siemssen & Co	Chinkiang
Ichang	—	D. Martin	Brit. str	700	Butterfield & Swire	Canton
Java	Mar. 25	Weber	Dut. str	886	Wm. Pustau & Co	
Kinshan	—	Lefavour	Brit. str	1050	H.C.& M. Steamboat Co	Repairing
Kiang-chow	—	—	Brit. str		Kwok Acheong	
Kiu-Kiang	—	T. Benning	Brit. str	1061	H.C. & M. Steamboat Co	Canton
Mactan	Mar. 28	Erquiaga	Span. str	371	Russell & Co	Manila
Malabar	Mar. 27	Gould	Brit. str	1270	Jardine, Matheson & Co	
Marion	Mar. 24	Smith	Brit. str	642	Siemssen & Co	
Mecca	Mar. 17	Morney	Brit. str	678	Landstein & Co	
Norna	Mar. 27	Walker	Brit. str	656	Kwok Acheong	Swatow
Orissa	Mar. 24	H. Jay	Brit. str	1119	P. & O. S. N. Co	Yokohama
Pacific	Mar. 27	Petersen	Brit. str	69	E. Hernshein & Co	Pacific Is.
Panay	Oct. 31	Gayenechea	Span. str	500	Remedios & Co	
Perim	Mar. 24	Linton	Brit. str	1016	T. G. Linstead	
Powan	—	A. G. Carey	Brit. str	1890	H. C. & M. Steamboat Co	Canton
Quarta	Mar. 29	Haye	Ger. str	731	Soey-shing	Saigon
Sea Gull	Sept. 19	Roberts	Amr. str	48	Insurance Co	
Thales	Mar. 29	Coles	Brit. str	820	D. Lapraik & Co	
J. Jeejeebhoy			Brit. str	119	Kwok Acheong	
Standard	Mar. 28	W. W. Lyon	Brit. str	1668	Siemssen & Co	Saigon
Tintern Abbey	Mar. 28	Tindale	Brit. str	786	Kut-tye-loong	Saigon
Yesso	Mar. 28	S. Ashton	Brit. str	560	D. Lapraik & Co	East Coast
West Stanley	Mar. 22	Ashby	Brit. str	993	Russell & Co	
White Cloud	—	A. Benning	Brit. str	652	H.C. & M. Steamboat Co	Macao
Yot-sai	—	D. Browne	Brit. str	250	Kwok Acheong	Macao
Yottung	Mar. 27	Goggins	Brit. str	289	Kwok Acheong	Haiphong
Zanzibar	Mar. 23	Fox	Brit. str	1460	Melchers & Co	Saigon

SAILING VESSELS.

Vessels.	Date of Arrival.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Consignees.	Destination.
Alden Besse	Dec. 27	Noyes	Amr. bk	842	Rozario & Co	Portland(O.)
Adolph	Mar. 27	Horn	Ger. bk	867	Arnhold, Karberg & Co	
A. Newton	Mar. 22	A. Newton	Brit. bk	308	Rozario & Co	Tientsin
A. M. Minnott	Jan. 23	Whitmore	Amr. sh	1100	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co	London
Annie M. Small	Dec. 4	C. E. Packer	Amr. sh	1053	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co	Portland(O.)
B. F. Watson	Nov. 25	Hawkins	Amr. bk	993	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co	S. Francisco
Chandos	Mar. 6	Emery	Amr. sh	1505	Russell & Co	
Charger	Jan. 28	Hallett	Amr. sh	1448	Russell & Co	S. Francisco
City of Halifax	Dec. 24	Evans	Brit. sh	853	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co	Portland(O.)
Conchita	Mar. 14	H. J. Ariaz	Span. bk	430	Remedios & Co	
Condor	Mar. 22	Steffens	Ger. bk	368	Siemssen & Co	
Corona	Feb. 18	Spence	Brit. sh	1199	Meyer & Co	Swatow
Crusader	Mar. 14	Gorham	Amr. bk	669	H. Kier & Co	
Elcano	Feb. 26	Barmby	Amr. sh	1181	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co	London
Elise	Mar. 29	Permien	Haw. bg	312	Chinese	
Empire	Feb. 21	Leckie	Amr. sh	1140	Messageries Maritimes	
Eme	Mar. 8	Asals	Brit. bk	773	Butterfield & Swire	
E. P. Bouverie	Jan. 22	J. Evans	Brit. bk	941	Russell & Co	S. Francisco
Falcon	Dec. 23	D. Barry	Brit. bk	798	Meyer & Co	London
Freeman Clark	Jan. 18	Dwight	Amr. sh	1336	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co	Portland(O.)
Globe	Feb. 13	Harrison	Brit. bk	736	Meyer & Co	
Great Admiral	Aug. 19	Thompson	Amr. sh	1576	Russell & Co	
Gustav	Mar. 17	Johannson	Ger. bg	240	E. Schellhass & Co	Tientsin
Hark Away	Feb. 12	S. Potts	Brit. bk	773	Russell & Co	
Hei-Cheong	Mar. 5	Kent	Brit. bk	336	Kong Tiang Tye	Bangkok
Hieronymus	Feb. 25	Ipland	Ger. bk	425		Newchwang
Ionian	Nov. 24	Cave	Brit. bk	373	Meyer & Co	London
Jean Pierre	Mar. 15	Légasse	Fren. bk	607	Carlowitz & Co	Bangkok
Jessie Jamieson	Mar. 22	G. West	Brit. bk	504	D. Lapraik & Co	
Julaine	Mar. 29	Oestmann	Ger. sch	187	Captain	
Kalaja	Jan. 12	Roos	Rus. bk	690	Captain	Batavia
Louise Eugene	Mar. 15	Menard	Fren. bk	440	Carlowitz & Co	Singapore
M. of Argyle	Feb. 28	McKeon	Brit. bk	500	Rozario & Co	Bangkok
M. Ravano	Mar. 1	Ravano	Ital. bk	874	Thos. Howard & Co	
M. Charlotte	Mar. 23	Mehouas	Fren. bk	380	Carlowitz & Co	Callao
Morning Star	Jan. 5	Michaelsen	Siam. bk	570	Tack-mee	
Mosquito	Feb. 5	Miles	Brit. bg	198	Olyphant & Co	
Nimrod	Jan. 24	Clark	Brit. bk	621	Adamson, Bell & Co	
Northern Star	Jan. 6	Wortley	Brit. bk	327	Wieler & Co	Tientsin
North Star	Mar. 1	Thompson	Amr. sh	1374	Russell & Co	S. Francisco
Occident	Mar. 22	Reuter	Ger. bk	284	Wieler & Co	
Onward	Mar. 8	Heuer	Brit. sch	210	Lane, Crawford & Co	Whampoa
Orion	Mar. 22	Scott	Brit. bk	381	Arnhold, Karberg & Co	Newchwang
Pauline	Feb. 7	Tyrer	Brit. bk	472	Butterfield & Swire	Takao
P. Fitzpatrick	Mar. 28	Phelan	Amr. bk	589	Captain	
P. J. Carleton	Feb. 28	Amesbury	Amr. bk	986	Russell & Co	
Quickstep	Jan. 4	Barnaby	Amr. bk	826	Russell & Co	V'couver's Is.
River Lagan	Feb. 23	Quinn	Brit. bk	851	D. Lapraik & Co	
Rubicon	Jan. 17	Timmsen	Brit. sch	204	Meyer & Co	
Samar	Jan. 15	Miller	Amr. sh	1056	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co	
Seamen's Bride	Mar. 6	Andreasen	Siam. bk	314	Chinese	Bangkok
Spinaway	Mar. 21	Pringle	Brit. bk	326	Siemssen & Co	Manila
Star of India	Feb. 14	Holloway	Brit. bk	1040	Borneo Co	
Sully	Jan. 4	Bara	Fren. bk	387	Carlowitz & Co	
Sumatra	Sept. 5	Clough	Amr. sh	1090	Russell & Co	
Titan	Feb. 7	Berry	Amr. sh	1229	Russell & Co	
Trie	Feb. 14	Bakker	Dut. bk	263	Siemssen & Co	Tientsin
Wega	Mar. 1	Jackens	Ger. sh	1115	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co	New York
W. Pendleton	Feb. 19	Blanchard	Amr. bk	809	D. Lapraik & Co	Bangkok
Wildwood	Jan. 28	Harriman	Amr. sh	1100	Russell & Co	Portland(O.)

WHAMPOA.

STEAMER.

Vessels.	Date of Arrival.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Consignees.	Destination.
Ulysses	Mar. 24	Guard	Brit. str	1560	Butterfield & Swire	Shanghai

MACAO.

In Port on 20th March, 1878.

Vessels.	Date of Arrival.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Consignees.	Destination.
Spark	—	Hoyland	Brit. str		H.C.&M. Steamboat Co	

SWATOW.

In Port on 27th March, 1878.

Vessels.	Date of Arrival.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Consignees.	Destination.
Aleppo	Mar. 19	Falconer	Brit. bk	665	E. Vincent & Co	
Cap Horn	Mar. 15	Muller	Ger. bk	385	Herton, Ebell & Co	
Clara	Feb. 25	Chalmers	Brit. sh	937	Boyd & Co	
Emulation	Mar. 8	Gunn	Brit. bk	391	Dircks & Co	
Glenisla	Jan. 26	Watts	Brit. bk	372	Bradley & Co	

AMOY.

In Port on 26th March, 1878.

Vessels.	Date of Arrival.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Consignees.	Destination.
Catharine		Loose	Ger. bk	350	Pasedag & Co	Chefoo
China	Mar. 18	Rose	Ger. sch	176	Brown & Co	Taiwanfoo
Evelyn	Mar. 18	Knowles	Brit. bk	762	Elles & Co	
Helena	Mar. 19	Snow	Amr. bk	603	Chinese	
Hermann	Mar. 16	Lembke	Ger. bk	210	Pasedag & Co	Bangkok
Hydra	Mar. 8	Oest	Ger. bk	785	Elles & Co	
J. & Willem	Feb. 25	Houskooper	Dut. bk	408	Pasedag & Co	
Lydia		Jongeson	Brit. bk	372	Boyd & Co	Nagasaki
Nadeshda	Mar. 10	Broderson	Dan. sch	190	H. A. Petersen & Co	Saigon
Otto	Mar. 17	Adamson	Ger. bg	231	Pasedag & Co	
Peter	Mar. 18	Holm	Ger. bg	241	H. A. Petersen & Co	Bangkok
Retriever	Mar. 15	Brown	Brit. bk	279	Boyd & Co	Bangkok

FOOCHOW.

In Port on 24th March, 1878.

Vessel.	Date of Arrival.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Consignees.	Destination.
China	Feb. 24	Ocean	Ger. sch	208	Chinese	
Oscar Mooyer	Mar. 1	Roder	Ger. bk	360	Kaw Hong Take & Co	
Pater	Mar. 7	Holm	Ger. bg	250	Kaw Hong Take & Co	
Willie	Mar. 4	Badenoch	Brit. sch	200	Kaw Hong Take & Co	

SHANGHAI.

In Port on 22nd March, 1878.

Vessel.	Date of Arrival.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Consignees.	Destination.
Adolph	Feb. 27	Hupper	Ger. bk	580	Wm. Pustau & Co	
Anglo Norman	Mar. 10	Davidson	Brit. bk	822	Russell & Co	
B. Aymar	Jan. 24	Lapham	Amr. bk	517	Captain	
Belle Morse	Mar. 17	Hutchins	Amr. sh	1807	Frazar & Co	
C. Harrison	Mar. 11	Hawes	Fren. bk	1190	S. C. Farnham & Co	
C'narvonshire	Mar. 5	Fishwick	Brit. bk	388	Blain & Co	
Chingtah	Feb. 15	Askins	Chi. bk	450	C. M. S. N. Co	
Chocorua	Mar. 17	Matthews	Amr. sh	1163	Frazar & Co	
Commerce	Mar. 16	Elliott	Amr. bk	462	Russell & Co	
Endymion	Jan. 11	Richardson	Brit. sh	780	Adamson, Bell & Co	
Forget-me-not	Mar. 11	Dolson	Brit. bk	232	Morris & Co	
Goodell	Jan. 30	French	Amr. bk	840	Frazar & Co	
G. T. Ray	Mar. 14	Fraser	Brit. bk	356	Mackenzie & Co	
Hopewell	Nov. 29	Langlois	Brit. bk	578	Primrose & Co	
Joyse Phillips	Mar. 14	Livingston	Brit. bk	514	Morris & Co	
Leonore	Mar. 14	Crichton	Brit. bk	251	Morris & Co	
Louise	Feb. 14	Simons	Brit. sch	280	Captain	
Lutcken	Feb. 17	Wicks	Brit. bk	406	Adamson, Bell & Co	
Maid Marian	Mar. 17	Forrest	Brit. bk	298	Bryner & Beyfuss	
M. of Judah	Feb. 21	Webb	Brit. bk	643	J. M. Walker	
Mikado	Jan. 6	Perlin	Brit. sh		Little & Co	
Norman Court	Mar. 13	Shewan	Brit. bk	834	Turner & Co	
Olebe	Feb. 27	Whitburn	Brit. bk	242	Nils Moller	
Omba	Mar. 10	Hall	Brit. sh	836	Captain	
R. McNeil	Jan. 18	Brown	Amr. bk	611	Blain & Co	
Rutlander	Mar. 14	Langabur	Brit. bk	1556	Melchers & Co	
Supreme	Mar. 14	Deward	Brit. bk	730	Blain & Co	
Taitsing	Mar. 12	England	Brit. sh	879	Jardine, Matheson & Co	

CHEFOO.

In Port on 20th February, 1878.

Vessel.	Date of Arrival.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Consignees.	Destination.
Alexander	Feb. 14	Elliott	Brit. bk	407	Cornabe & Co	Swatow
Oceanic	Feb. 10	Affeck	Brit. bk	320	Cornabe & Co	
Lydia	Feb. 14	Youngson	Brit. bk	396	Cornabe & Co	

YOKOHAMA.

In Port on 18th March, 1878.

Vessel.	Date of Arrival.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Consignees.	Destination.
Alerta	Mar. 12	Talbot	Brit. sch	215	Ed. Fischer & Co	
Aureola	Mar. 8	Penory	Brit. bk	957	Messageries Maritimes	
Bertha Marian	Feb. 24	Scarlett	Brit. bk	540	L. Kniffler & Co	
F. Perthes	Mar. 9	Walter	Ger. bk	446	Chinese	
Hudson	Jan. 23	Vaughan	Amr. bk	672	China & Jap. Trading Co	
Iphigenia	Mar. 3	Muller	Ger. bk	457	L. Kniffler & Co	
J. Wichhors	Mar. 14	Heyenga	Ger. bk	431	L. Kniffler & Co	
Ladoga	Feb. 19	Pierce	Amr. sh	1050	Isaacs, Brothers & Co	
Oscar Vidal	Feb. 17	Willis	Brit. bk	299	Walsh, Hall & Co	
Otsego	July 10	Cook	Amr. sch	52	H. Cook	
Paralos	Mar. 11	Pasco	Fren. bk	310	Walsh, Hall & Co	
Scramento	Feb. 17	Nelson	Amr. sh	1480	Walsh, Hall & Co	

MANILA.

In Port on 19th March, 1878.

Vessel.	Date of Arrival.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Consignees.	Destination.
Abernyte	Feb. 19	Congdon	Brit. bk	728		London
Andrews	Feb. 15	....	Ger. bk	420	Captain	
A. Florence	Feb. 27	Johnson	Brit. bk	657	Captain	
Bonanza	Feb. 9	....	Amr. sh	1350	Captain	
Burdwan	Feb. 8	....	Brit. sh	803		Falmouth
Chalmette	Feb. 2	....	Amr. bk	840	Order	
Constancia	Nov. 11	Gerzater	Span. bg	234		Hongkong
Cutwater	Feb. 27	....	Amr. sh	985	Captain	
Ellen Munroe	Mar. 6	....	Amr. sh	1313	Captain	
Ellsworth	Feb. 6	....	Amr. bk	853	Order	
Evening Star	Dec. 27	Ashburn	Brit. bk	371	Order	
Glenfruin	Feb. 21	Lang	Brit. bk			London
India	Dec. 25	....	Span. bk	574	Order	
J. Shepherd	Jan. 21	Madden	Brit. bk	840	Order	
John C. Munro	Feb. 18	....	Brit. bk	613	Captain	
Loyola	Mar. 5	....	Span. bk	567	Captain	
Ornate	Jan. 30	Parrott	Brit. bk	588	Order	
Olano	Feb. 5	....	Span. bk	270	Order	
Salisbury	Jan. 19	Case	Brit. sh	1075	Order	
San Lorenzo	Nov. 23	M. de Viege	Span. bg	220	Order	
Union	Jan. 8	....	Span. bg	248	Order	
V. de Rivadavia	Jan. 14	Camus	Span. bg	261	Order	

HER BRITANNIC MAJESTY'S SHIPS IN THE CHINA SQUADRON.

Name.	Rig.	Guns.	H.P.	Captain.	Where at.
Audacious	double-screw frigate	14	800	Captain F. Durrant	Hongkong
Charybdis	steam corvette	17	400	Captain Hotham	Singapore
Curlew	double-screw gun-vessel	3	160	Com. W. McF. Castle	Hongkong
Egeria	screw sloop	4	120	Com. A. L. Douglas	Yokohama
Fly	double-screw gun-vessel	4	120	Com. M. McNeile	Singapore
Frolic	double-screw gun-vessel	4	100	Com. A. E. Dupuis	Yokohama
Growler	double-screw gun-vessel	4	120	Com. Chas. Willcox	Hongkong
Hart	double-screw gun-vessel	4	120	Com. R. Evans	Singapore
Hornet	double-screw gun-vessel	4	120	Com. J. S. Eaton	Hankow
Juno	steam corvette	8	400	Captain Poland	Yokohama
Kestrel	double-screw gun-vessel	4	100	Com. Theobald	Kobe
Lapwing	double-screw gun-vessel	3	160	Com. W. G. Scott	Hongkong
Lily	screw sloop	3	95	Com. Cochrane	Chinkiang
Magpie	double-screw gun-vessel	3	—	Com. W. M. Lang	Hongkong
Meanee	military hospital	—	—		Hongkong
Midge	double-screw gun-vessel	4	120	Com. H. G. Salmond	Tientsin
Modeste	steam corvette	14	350	Captain A. Buller	Yokohama
Moorhen	gunboat	4	60	Lieut.-Com. W. Carey	Foochow
Mosquito	gunboat	4	60	Lieut.-Com. G. A. Grey	Singapore
Nassau	surveying vessel	4	150	Captain R. H. Napier	Surveying
Sheldrake	gunboat	4	60	Lieut.-Com. J. B. Haye	Chefoo
Swinger	gunboat	2	60	Lieut.-Com. O. Tudor	Cruising
Sylvia	surveying vessel	3	150	Com. P. Aldrich	Yokohama
Thistle	double-screw gun-vessel	4	120	Com. R. S. Hunt	Ningpo
V. Emanuel	receiving ship	14	—	Commodore Watson	Hongkong
Vigilant	paddle dispatch-boat	2	250	Lieut.-Com. Annesley	Hongkong

FOREIGN MEN-OF-WAR IN HARBOUR.

Name.	Nation.	Guns.	H.P.	Captain.
Le Hugon	French corvette	—	—	Galache

CANTON GUNBOAT SQUADRON.

Name.	Flag and Rig.	Guns	Tons.	H.P.	Commander.	Station.
An-lan	Viceroy's gunboat	7	221	70	Godsil	Tong-king gulf
Chee-hing	Revenue cruiser	2	80	20	—	—
Chien-te	Viceroy's gunboat	7	221	70	Stewart	Swatow
Chien-jui	Revenue cruiser	3	80	20	A. Walker	Capsing-moon
Cheung-wan	—	—	—	—	—	West coast
Ching-on	Revenue cruiser	2	80	20	Chung-wing-fai	Canton River
Tohing-sing	Viceroy's gunboat	6	180	60	Bessard	Pak-hoi
Tohing-on	Viceroy's gunboat	2	120	40	Chinese Admiral	Bogue Forts
Tching-po	Viceroy's gunboat	6	180	60	d'Longueville	West Coast
Tchun-tung	Revenue cruiser	2	150	40	Chun-ti-hu	West Coast
Peng-chao-hai	Revenue cruiser	4	600	120	Palmer	Fa-tow-moon
Quang-on	Viceroy's gunboat	4	120	40	Lie-ping-tie	Bogue Forts
Shen-chi	Revenue cruiser	5	180	60	Wade	Chung-chow
Sui-tsing	Viceroy's gunboat	4	180	60	Calder	Hai-ling-shan
Li-she	Revenue cruiser	4	80	20	McLeish	Canton River
Tsing-po	Viceroy's gunboat	3	100	40	Ching	Bogue Forts

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